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Feeling parky?

IT may be cold out, but spring is around the corner. So head out for a walk in Hackney – and cast a vote that

could win up to £400,000 to help revamp Shoreditch Park. Voting for the Help a London Park campaign, launched by

the Mayor of London last year, closes on 30 January. Hackney has the largest expanse of green spaces in

inner London to explore, and there is a wealth of information to help residents get started.

- To cast your vote for Shoreditch Park, see p12; to find out more about walking in Hackney see p7.

OLYMPIC VICTORY



By
Emma Britton

A GOVERNMENT boost of £135million towards the 2012 media centres has been announced, confirming they will be built as permanent structures in Hackney Wick.

The centres will house around 20,000 journalists from across the world, reporting to an audience of around four billion. The new budget includes funding to ensure the buildings have the flexibility to allow for job opportunities after the

Olympic and Paralympic Games, a key issue the Council has been campaigning for.

The funding towards the International Broadcast Centre and Main Press Centre has been allocated to meet a shortfall in private sector funding due to the global economic downturn.

The Government insists the overall £9.3billion budget will remain unchanged.

Hackney Council Chief Executive Tim Shields said: "The Council has been campaigning for both the Main Press Centre and International Broadcast Centre to be permanent buildings in Hackney Wick

to support a legacy use for digital, media and creative industries. This news is a big step in the right direction towards providing a meaningful and lasting employment legacy for local people.

"The media centres represent the single most significant opportunity for

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an economic legacy for East London from the Games.

"Leading media companies have expressed strong interest in moving to the centres in legacy, and the Council will continue to use every opportunity to work with Olympic decision makers to secure this outcome for Hackney."

Extra cash for the Olympic Village in Newham was also announced, following a meeting of the Olympic Funders Group, which includes Chancellor Alistair Darling, and was also attended by Mayor of London Boris Johnson.

Olympics Minister Tessa Jowell said: "The Village

and media centres are essential to a successful London Games with a real lasting legacy. With private-sector funding now much more difficult to secure because of the global economic downturn, it is right that we take steps to safeguard these projects.

"Lower than anticipated construction inflation and good progress across the project has reduced risks, meaning that the overall budget is unchanged and enough contingency funds remain.

"Increased public investment in these projects also means that the public purse will receive a greater share of receipts when they are sold after the Games."



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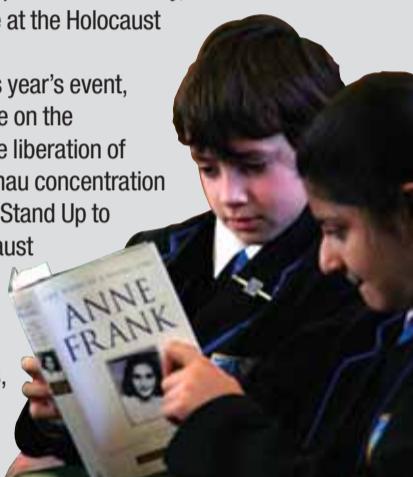
NEWS IN BRIEF

Marking the Holocaust

RESIDENTS are invited to mark Holocaust Memorial Day on Tuesday, 27 January, at a ceremony to be held in Hackney Town Hall Square.

At 10.45am the Speaker of Hackney, Cllr Ian Rathbone will lay a floral tribute at the Holocaust Memorial Tree.

The theme of this year's event, which takes place on the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz-Birkenau concentration camp in 1945, is Stand Up to Hatred, as Holocaust Memorial Day also remembers victims of more recent genocides, including in Rwanda, Bosnia, and Darfur.



Find your family past

HAVE you thought about tracing your family roots or about how you can contribute to Hackney's archives? Hackney Routes, a new joint project between Every Generation, Hackney Archives and Hackney Museum, funded through the Hackney Heritage and Built Environment Partnership, can help you get started.

A series of free workshops and events across the borough will explore how individuals can research and record their own family roots and the story of their communities. They will also encourage discussion between communities about the different routes people have taken to settle in Hackney. The first event – a discussion for adults on family history and genealogy – takes place from 6pm-7.30pm on 29 January at Hackney Museum in Reading Lane.

For more information on the project, to get involved, or to find dates events and activities call: 020 7241 2886; or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/ca-archives

Dive in for charity

DOUBLE Paralympic gold medallist Eleanor Simmonds made a splash at the Clissold Leisure Centre when she helped launch Swimathon 2009.

The BBC Young Sports Personality of the Year, 13, was joined by Olympic gold medallist and Swimathon President, Duncan Goodhew, to encourage people to sign up and start training for the world's biggest fundraising swim.

Hackney swimmers can take part in the nationwide event from 16-19 April at Clissold and Kings Hall leisure centres. To find out more about Swimathon, or to sign up, call: 0845 36 700 36, or visit: www.swimathon.org



Hackney Youth Parliament members (left-right) Rhasan Brunner, Rachel Piper, and Simrian Gujra with Home Secretary Jacqui Smith at the coalition launch

MEMBERS of Hackney Youth Parliament (HYP) were among those joining the Prime Minister and leading figures from government, sport, music and business at the launch of the new national coalition saying 'No to Knives' last month.

Gordon Brown was joined by Richard Taylor, Rio Ferdinand, John Terry, Austin Healey, Brooke Kinsella and other campaign ambassadors to help launch the coalition on December 11.

Thirteen young people from HYP, aged 14-16, met with families and community groups who have direct

experience of knife crime. They were selected to visit Downing Street as the Prime Minister appealed to young people not to carry knives.

The young people's energy, enthusiasm, and engagement

"This is a great campaign with high-profile people helping to raise awareness of knife crime"

with the campaign and events on the day were an impressive example of their commitment to and work with Hackney's Youth Service.

The Prime Minister's Office has since been in touch through the Youth Participation Team to convey



Prime Minister Gordon Brown (left); HYP member Patrice Redman-Pinard with footballer Ashley Cole (right)

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Art works for everyone



Previous artwork by Station House Opera (left); and Joshua Sofaer with one of his installations (right)

All stories by



Emma Britton

TWO large-scale art projects giving residents across the five host boroughs for the 2012 Games the opportunity to get involved have been chosen as the winners of the first CREATE Art Award. Dominoes, a giant domino rally by performance artists Station House Opera, will

involve 50,000 breeze blocks running through Hackney, Greenwich, Newham, Tower Hamlets and Waltham Forest, and will use local volunteers. Rooted in the Earth, by artist Joshua Sofaer, celebrates unsung heroes and asks residents to celebrate local people by nominating them to have their names planted as large floral artworks in park flowerbeds.

Both artists work in the host boroughs and their projects

will be unveiled this summer as part of the CREATE09 festival, celebrating culture and the arts in East and South East London in the run up to the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. Joshua said: "I'm really looking forward to reading the stories people write in

support of the names they propose."

Station House Opera's artistic director Julian Maynard Smith said: "We'll be working with over 2,000 volunteers – everyone living and working along the route will be involved in making the project a success."

MORE INFO

Find out how to get involved with Dominoes at: www.artsadmin.co.uk/dominoes

Nominations for Rooted in the Earth open in April. Register your interest at: www.rootedintheearth.co.uk or e-mail: info@rootedintheearth.co.uk

Dalston developments on track

TfL has begun demolition of around 20 former shops and flats on Kingsland High Street in Dalston as part of its project to extend the East London line, bringing four

new London Overground stations to the borough.

Sections of the high street will be closed during the works, due to finish by April, and pedestrian and

vehicle traffic will be maintained throughout.

The shops will be replaced with a new development following consultation by the Council on planning and

design guidance which will advise potential developers and ensure whatever replaces the shops is high quality and well integrated.

Residents will also have an opportunity to help shape future development in Dalston during a consultation on a masterplan for the town centre, setting out policies such as what land can be used for, the height of new buildings, and new community facilities. Both public consultations are due to start in March.

MORE INFO

For questions or queries about the East London line project, call the 24 hour hotline: **0800 587 2441** or e-mail: overground@tfl.gov.uk

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Voluntary services together



Council Chief Executive Tim Shields, Mary Cannon (Community Empowerment Network), Adam Hart and Jake Ferguson (both HCVS)

AN agreement affecting thousands of Hackney residents, the voluntary sector, and Hackney Council has been published. More than 60 volunteers and chief officers from the Council attended the

launch of the Hackney Compact on 13 January at a special event held at Freeform Arts, Richmond Road, E8.

The Hackney Compact is an agreement setting out how the Council and voluntary sector groups can work together to provide top quality services for the borough's residents.

The police, City and Hackney Primary Care Trust, The Learning Trust, Hackney Homes, Hackney Voluntary Action, and Hackney Community College were among those who also signed up, together with representatives from the Community Empowerment Network and community groups. The Hackney Compact can be downloaded from www.teamhackney.org/hackneycompact

Changes in the pipeline

COME along and find out more about how a £3.2 million Thames Water mains replacement scheme in Lower Clapton will affect the area. A drop-in session is set to take place on 28 January, between 4.30pm and 6.30pm, in a mobile unit at the junction of Mildenhall Road and Lower Clapton Road, by the pond.

Thames Water will spend the next 16 months replacing nearly five miles of Victorian pipes with new, tough, and flexible plastic in the area around Lea Bridge Road, Lower Clapton Road, Millfields Road, Mayola Road, and the River Lea. Project manager, Tim Owens, said: "Wherever possible, new pipes will be placed inside the old metal ones, which means less trench-digging, minimising disruption."

Works are scheduled to begin on 16 February, and local residents will also receive letters informing them about the scheme.

Free month for winning tenants

THREE lucky tenants have won a rent-free January after winning a Hackney Homes competition. Gloria Sapians (below) from Stoke Newington; Joseph Kirwan from Dalston; and Olushola Davies from Homerton have enjoyed the past month free of charge, as part of a campaign to encourage residents to pay their rent on time.



During the festive period, nearly 12,000 residents did so, and more than 1,000 paid off rent arrears totalling over £138,000.

For more info, or to speak to someone about your rent, contact your local neighbourhood office or visit: www.hackneyhomes.org.uk



A toy story for all time...



AT its peak, British toy making was a major industry. Manufacturers were household names, and products known around the world.

Buy-outs, mergers, and the death of company founders saw a number of companies disappear in the 1970s and 1980s. But now the Museum of Childhood in Bethnal Green is helping preserve Britain's toy story for children of all ages.

The archives of four major manufacturers – Lines Brothers, Abbatt Toys, Mettoy, and Palitoy – were donated to the museum when the companies ceased trading in the 1970s and 1980s. Thanks to a £244,500 Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) grant, the huge collection is now the focus of a three-and-a-half-year project at the museum and offers a fascinating look at some of the children's best-loved toys over the past century.

Star Wars figures and games, Action Man, Sindy, Spacehoppers and



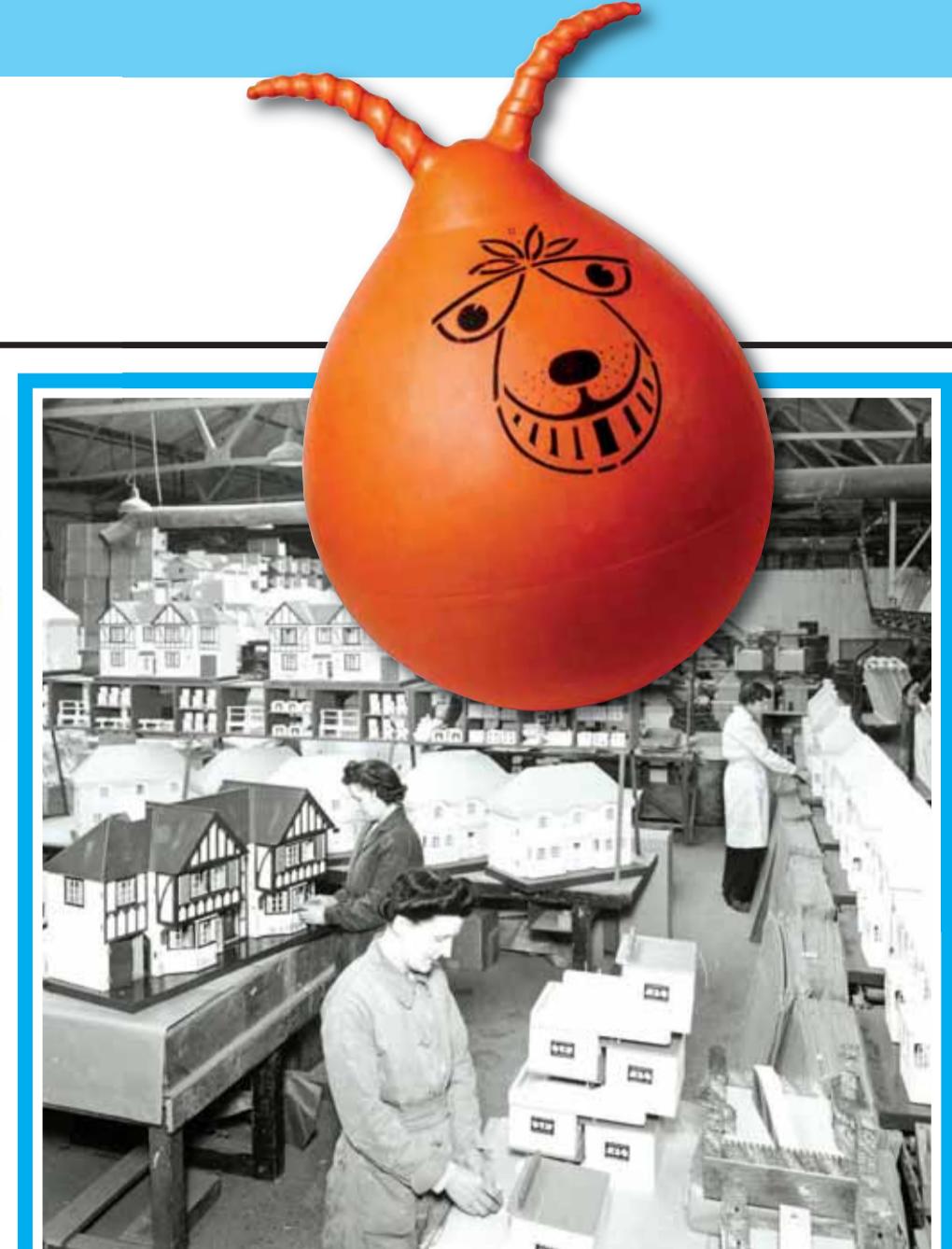
Corgi cars are among some of the old friends in the archive, which also includes photographs, adverts, catalogues and materials from the hey-day of British toy manufacturing.

The project will include a six-month exhibition; an online archive; various resources for teachers; and heritage based toy-making workshops for primary schools.

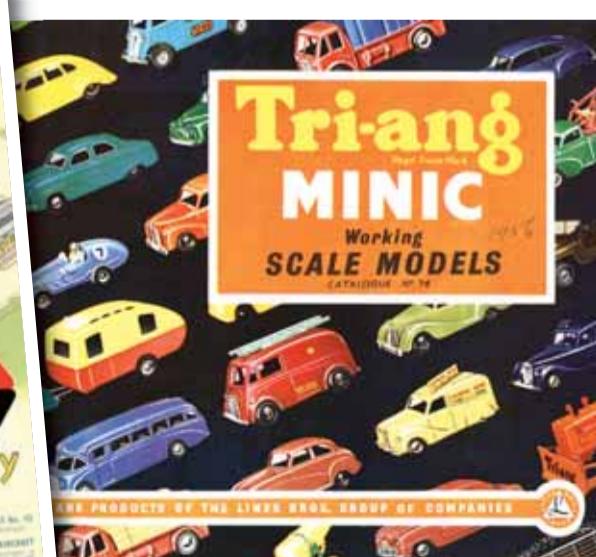
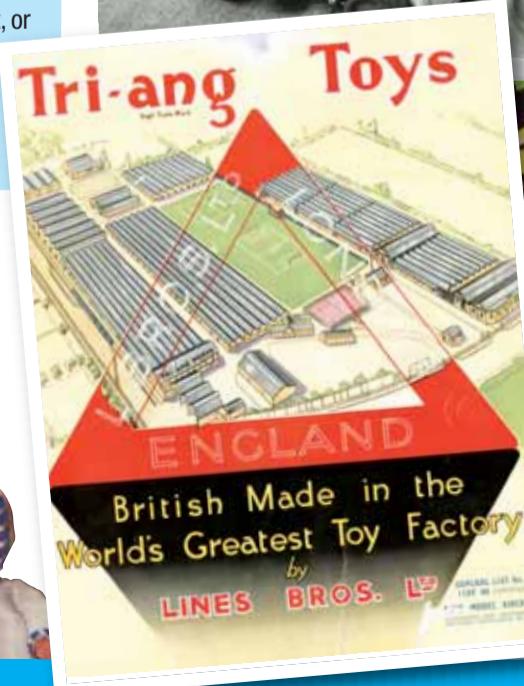
Catherine Howell, the museum's Collections Officer said: "To have the chance, through the HLF, to preserve the historical records of some of the most famous children's toys of the past is a real gift – not only to the museum but to all, young and old, who benefit from its collections."

MORE INFO

The museum is in Cambridge Heath Road, E2. Entry is free. To visit, or find out more about the archives visit: www.vam.ac.uk/moc or call: 020 8983 5200



(Clockwise from top left): Action Man in a helicopter; Spacehopper; A dolls' house and fort assembly line at Tri-ang's factory, 1940s; a Tri-ang toy car showroom, 1940s; Tri-ang catalogues; Rosebud dolls catalogue, from the Lines Brothers archive, 1956; Star Wars: Escape From The Death Star Board Game, Palitoy, 1978



100th birthday party celebrations

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Pictures: Beccy Smart

Project workers and visitors at a drop-in session (above); one of the Council's neighbourhood wardens (below)

Helping hand

By
Lara Edgar

WHEN Polish labourers were found to be sleeping in new public toilets in Stamford Hill a few years ago, it became national news.

Although reported in a light-hearted way, it was a serious issue and a drop-in session has been set up to help Eastern Europeans who came to London looking for work, but ended up sleeping rough.

The Council's north east neighbourhood wardens team, based in Stamford Hill, has been working with the police, homeless charity

Thames Reach, the Primary Care Trust, voluntary organisations, and local residents to tackle concerns about street drinking.

Martin Harris, of Thames Reach, said: "Many Eastern Europeans come to London on the promise of a job but when they get here, the work doesn't come through. Their money runs out and they can't afford to go home. At the same time they're highly skilled and really want to work."

Without proper

paperwork and with limited English, finding work can prove impossible, and the workers are not entitled to benefits. Sleeping rough and alcohol dependency can then become a way of life.

St Ignatius Church in Stamford Hill has been giving sandwiches to local homeless people every day for years, and a drop-in session has been set up in the church hall.

Martin, with Neighbourhood Warden Manager Gerry Lotsu talk visitors through their paperwork, while volunteer Polish



“Their money runs out and they can't afford to go home. At the same time they are highly skilled and want to work”

interpreters check they have a GP and dentist, and get advice on where to find help with alcohol dependency.

Sylvester, 36, a carpenter from Poland who had his papers stolen, said: "I have been helped very much. I feel safer now. These are very good people. We all want to work."

MORE INFO

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Golden oldie

FAMILY, friends, carers and a magician helped a resident celebrate her 100th birthday. Mrs Charlotte Ginn received her congratulatory card from the Queen on 14 January. The big day was marked with cake and a magic entertainer at the Southwold Road supported living scheme. Mrs Ginn, whose maiden name was Rising, was born and lived in Berkshire Road, Stratford. She has four daughters and a son. She moved to the scheme – run by Family Mosaic Housing Association and the Council's Social Care Services, when it opened in 1996.

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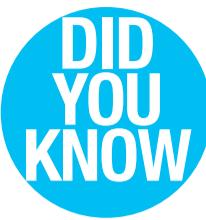
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Put the spring in your step



By
Kate Gibney

T may still be pretty chilly outside, but Hackney is still a beautiful place to stretch your legs. If you resolved to get more exercise this year, or simply want to discover more of the borough, there is a wealth of resources to get you started.

Hackney's Parks Department has funded a reprint of a series of six self-guided walks from the Hackney Environment Forum. They are packed with local information to help people get the most out of their ramble.

They take in a variety of green spaces from Hackney Marshes and Mabley Green to Clissold Park and Stoke Newington Common.

The walks are along tarmac and grass paths, mainly flat and easy

walking, and the leaflets provide information about steps and other routes.

For residents who want some company or hands-on guidance, Transport for London has organised two free, guided Winter Wanders in Hackney. The walks take place on 31 January and 1 February and take two-and-a-half to three hours. The first starts at 11am outside Tottenham Hale Station and finishes close to Bromley by Bow station, taking in the Olympic Park site and River Lea. The second starts at 1.30pm outside Stoke Newington Station and finishes at Hackney Wick Station.

The Council has invested £750,000 in walking and accessibility schemes over the last three years, and has a map of walking routes to help residents plan their journeys on its website. There are also a wealth of websites for walkers – so get on your feet.

MORE INFO

For details of the guided walks call: 0870 240 6094, or visit: www.walklondon.org.uk

For details of where to find Hackney walk maps, or download a PDF, visit: www.hackneyenvironment.org.uk For walking info, visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/movebyfoot or call the Council Transport team on: 020 8356 8189

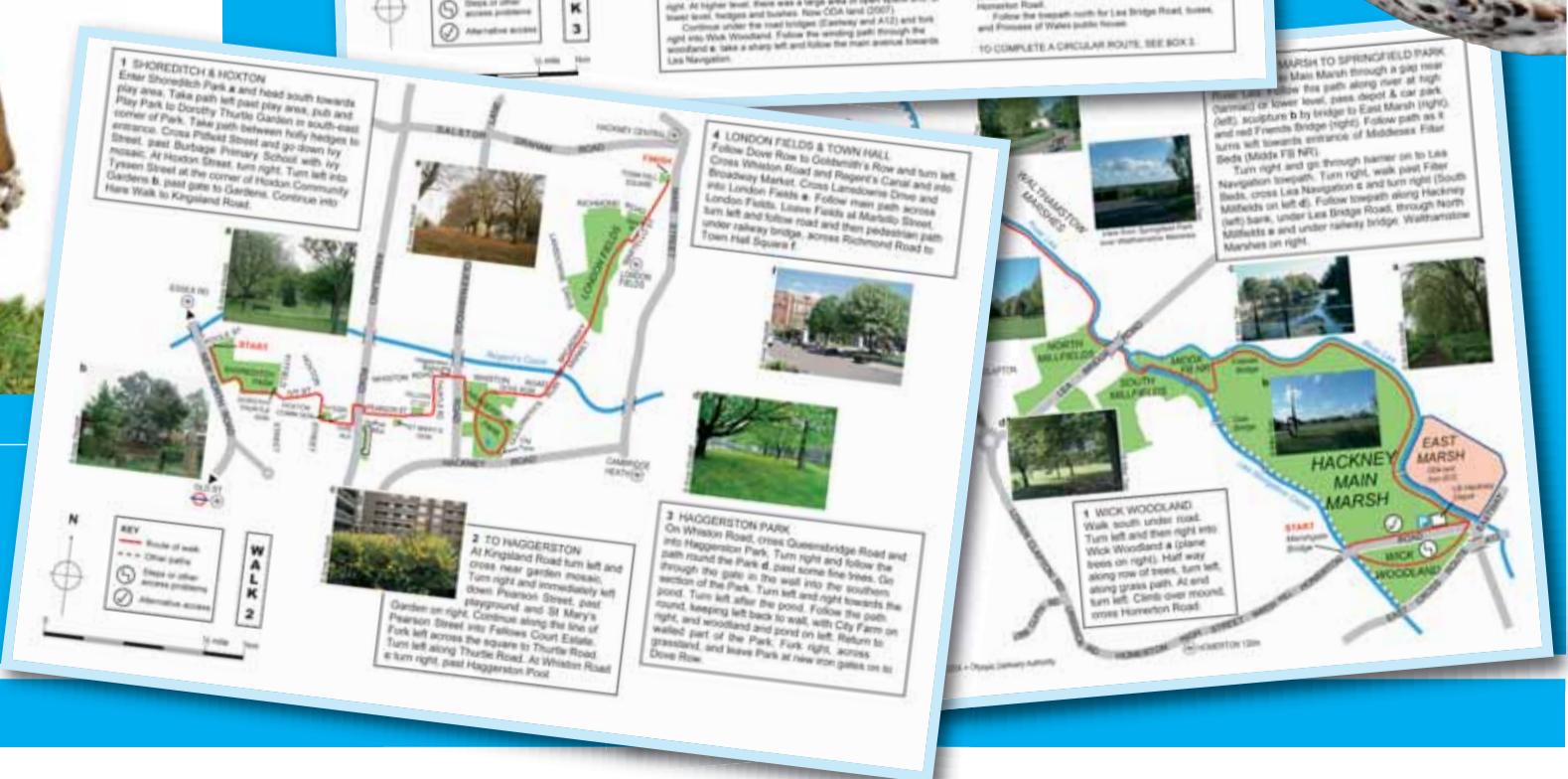


Useful links

- www.walkit.com
- www.walkingworks.org.uk
- www.tfl.gov.uk/gettingaround/walking/1156.aspx
- www.walktoschool.org.uk



(above) Staff from organisations including the Council, The Learning Trust, Burberry Factory, and Lauriston and Berger primary schools taking the Walk to Work Challenge last spring.



feature



Cast members from The Fixer with the De Beauvoir Estate in the background (above); the film set of Ashes to Ashes in January, 2009 (right); the first series was also filmed in Hackney (top)



Television

• The Fixer

Look out for the De Beauvoir Estate and Hoxton High Street in the second series of ITV's hitman drama *The Fixer*, which filmed in Hackney in November, 2008. Set to return to our screens soon, the six new episodes follow state-sponsored assassin John Mercer (Andrew Buchan) as he goes about his business on the dark side of the law.

• Moses Jones

Ridley Road Market was used for two major scenes in the BBC2 series. The story – told over three 60-minute episodes – begins when a wave of violence hits London following the discovery of the body of a man in the Thames. Senior partner Detective Inspector Moses Jones (Shaun Parkes) and his youthful sidekick DS

Dan Twentyman (Matt Smith) are assigned to the case.

• Ashes to Ashes: Series 2

Crews returned to Hackney for the second series, shooting in and around Andrews Road, Regents Canal and Scrutton Street. Filmed throughout autumn and New Year, the show will be broadcast later in 2009, and is set in 1982, during the Falklands War, moving on almost six months after the events of the first series. The first series saw DCI Gene Hunt (Philip Glenister) from *Life on Mars* joined by an experienced female detective, and trained psychologist from the 21st century. DI Alex Drake (Keely Hawes) wakes up in 1981 after being shot in 2008.



Popular locations in Hackney include (from left) Ridley Road Market, Coronet Street, and the Regents Canal. Aspiring filmmakers trained at 3 Mills Studio, E3, as part of the New Pathways Film Fund.

Hackney Town Hall was used as a courtroom in last year's BBC drama Criminal Justice (right); Broadway Market is a popular spot for film crews (centre); scenes for Dead Man Running were shot at the Woodberry Down Estate (far right)



You saw it here first

By Nicola Quinn



Look closely next time you're watching TV you might recognise more than just your favourite actors.

Hackney is one of the most popular places with film and TV makers. On average 27 film crews are filming in the borough each month.

The most used areas for filming in Hackney are Hoxton, Shoreditch and Broadway Market. Another popular street is Coronet Street, a cobbled

street off Hoxton Square that is used to double Soho and period New York.

Richard George, location manager for the recent film Dead Man Running filmed on the Woodberry Down Estate – starring 50 Cent, Danny Dyer and Brenda Blethyn – said: "Due to the nature of lower budget filmmaking, we had to find an estate which could serve as two or three locations.

"Once we were shown Woodberry Down it looked like we had it. With some great views across the city from the top floors and about four or five different architectural styles, it suited us and the storyline nicely."

"We thought this was going to be tricky as a work environment, but to be honest, once we settled in everyone was great, particularly on the night shoot where we had local people chatting and hanging out with the crew and police officers right up until we wrapped."

Here is a just a snapshot of some recent films and TV programmes with scenes shot in Hackney.

MORE INFO

Filming in Hackney is coordinated by the Council Film Office. It liaises with production companies and residents – whose support is vital. The Film Office is self-funding and profits are fed into community projects. Call Rebecca Staffolani on: 020 8356 3541; or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/film



Best Hand Car Wash is a visual poem about a fleeting moment between a young carwash worker and a Bengali housewife on Hackney Road. The locations – a carwash, a laundrette and cafe – are all within a few hundred metres from each other and the short film will feature local residents that work at each location, alongside actors Paul Woodson and Rakhee Sweeney. Writer and director Mo Saha lives in the area. She said: "I wanted to tell a story set in places that I walk past everyday. They are the kind of locations you find on every street across the UK but you rarely take any notice of."

Funding pathways to a film career

SOME of the money raised through filming in Hackney is used to give budding filmmakers a chance to write, produce, and direct their own short films.

Now in its 2nd year, the New Pathways Film Fund is a partnership between Hackney, Tower Hamlets, and Newham, and is part of the London Borough Film Fund Challenge.

The scheme looks for original and exciting stories, preferably making use of locations in the three boroughs.

After scripts were submitted in September, 15 finalists took part in training at 3 Mills Studio, E3. A panel of judges awarded six bursaries of £1,500 – two from Hackney – and the winners have been filming their work throughout January. The films will be ready for the East End Film Festival in April.

MORE INFO

Visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/new-pathways-film-fund-08.htm
For film festival details see www.eastendfilmfestival.com

“Everyone was great, particularly on the night shoot when we had local people chatting with the crew”

in Hackney: a stand-off with football fans and police on Orsman Road and a fight scene on Rosina Street and Shepherds Lane, E9.

• Heartless
Filmed on Hackney Road and Gorsuch Street, it stars Jim

Sturgess and Timothy Spall. Jamie Morgan's life has always been blighted by the large, heart-shaped birthmark on his face. He lives in a world dominated by gang culture, where he learns there is a reason for everything. When Jamie accepts this, the world reveals itself as a thing of great beauty – and his real nightmare starts.

• Lesbian Vampire Killers
Out in March. Scenes were filmed near Victoria Park. The film also stars duo James Cordon and Mathew Horne from the hit BBC TV series Gavin & Stacey.



The Weir is about a group of local children who have dark stories behind their everyday lives, but carry on regardless. Alex Taylor has worked as a freelance filmmaker and composer in Lower Clapton Road for three years. He said: "It will be shot in the Hackney Wick area, and also the navigation canal and weir at Lea Bridge Roundabout, using post-modern montage effects and a gritty hand held camera. I'm hoping it will show young people and the amazing landscape that Hackney offers in a new light."

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Making his business fun

By Emma Britton &
Donna Walsh

BUSINESSMAN Sinclair Beecham's enthusiasm bubbles over as he explains why he chose to open his first hotel in Hoxton.

"It's vibrant, exciting, constantly changing, leading edge. It's a buzz of energy, charming, and it has a soul."

He had no former experience of running a hotel when he opened the Hoxton Hotel in Great Eastern Street. But then he had no experience of running a sandwich chain when he co-founded Pret a Manger – and that became a runaway success. When he and his business partner sold Pret last year, its price-tag was reported to be an impressive £345m.

Hackney had two attractions for Sinclair when he chose the location for his new venture in September 2006 – the hotel would be within easy reach of the City, and it would be in an up-and-coming borough. Hackney's restaurants, coffee bars, clubs and pubs, markets and art galleries are unrivalled anywhere else in

London.

"When you stay in a hotel, you want to stay somewhere where you feel good about yourself," he says. "I love the bars and restaurants here and I try to encourage guests to visit them. I publish a guide for them so they don't just come to our restaurant."

Sinclair is clearly a real fan and lists among his personal favourites, Canteloupe, Shoreditch House, Lougelover, and The Diner.

The 50-year-old entrepreneur, who started his working life as a cashier at NatWest Bank, says the secret to his success is to think like a customer.

He was inspired to open a hotel after becoming fed up with paying £3 for a can of Coke from the mini bar or £2.50 for a Kit Kat. Water in guests' rooms is free at the Hoxton Hotel and drinks, snacks and alcohol are sold at supermarket prices from the reception desk.

The father-of-two said: "As a customer it really annoys me to be ripped off. I'd like to be treated with respect. Too many people lose sight of the customer."

And it is that ruthless focus that has brought him

“It's vibrant, exciting, constantly changing, leading edge”

success. Recognition came at the highest level when he was made an MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List in 2000 for services to the catering industry.

His entrepreneurial expertise and endless enthusiasm mean he is perfectly placed as a judge for the Mayor of Hackney's Business Awards. For the second year in a row, Sinclair has offered to judge entries from across the borough.

He acknowledged the economic climate makes it "a very challenging time for businesses," but encouraged Hackney business people to enter.

"Business is fun," he said. "Encouraging people to start business creates opportunity, wealth, investment and improvement."

"The awards are designed to look at a whole range of businesses. There's a category and an opportunity for everybody. If you've got a business and you think it's going well, have a go."

MORE INFO

For details of the hotel, visit: www.hoxtonhotels.com
For details of the Mayor of Hackney's Business Awards 2009, and to apply, visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/mayorsbusinessawards
Deadline for entries is 23 February

Curriculum Vitae Sinclair Beecham

- 1958 Born in Cambridgeshire
- 1976 Starts working life as a cashier at NatWest Bank
- 1982 Graduated from Polytechnic of Central London with BSc (Hons) in Urban Estate Management
- 1983 Worked for Crest Estates Ltd as commercial property developer for two years
- 1986 Started sandwich chain Pret a Manger with business partner Julian Metcalfe
- 2000 MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours List for services to the catering industry
- 2001 Fast-food chain McDonalds buys a 33 per cent stake in Pret a Manger for a reported £50m
- 2003-5 Virgin Active, non-executive director
- 2004-5 Luxury skincare brand Molton Brown, non-executive director. Resigned when company sold to Kao for approx £170m in 2005
- 2006 Opens Hoxton Hotel in Great Eastern Street
- 2008 Sells majority stake in Pret a Manger to Bridgepoint Capital for a reported £345m. Management retains approximately 25 per cent
- 2008-9 Sits on judging panel for Mayor of Hackney's Business Awards

Picture: Sean Pollock

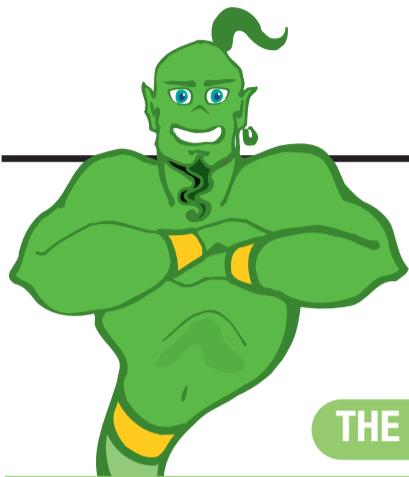
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Sinclair outside the Hoxton Hotel (below and left)



greenmatters



THE GREEN GENIE

All your recycling questions answered

Q: I have been invited to a wedding and would like to buy a recycled gift for the happy couple. Any tips on where I could look for this?



A: As well as many everyday products such as newspapers, tins, cans, glass bottles and jars containing recycled content, manufacturers are now increasingly using recycled materials for a range of products, with many making great gift ideas. Buying recycled products is a great way of 'closing the recycling loop', helping the environment, and to find out what can be made from your recycling.

The best place to start looking would be the online Recycled Products Guide, which has been compiled by WRAP (the Waste and Resources Action Programme). More than 450 companies are registered on this website with goods ranging from gift ideas to building materials. Good luck and enjoy the wedding!

For more information, visit: www.recycledproducts.org.uk

MORE INFO

To ask the Genie a question, which will be answered in Hackney Today, e-mail: recycling@hackney.gov.uk, or write to: Green Genie, Recycling, Second Floor, 263 Mare Street, E8 3HT. For more information on recycling in the borough call: 020 8356 6688, or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/recycling



Switching to disposable nappies will save you money and could win you a prize



KEY FACT
Around eight million disposable nappies are being thrown away every day in the UK

Pin a winner

All stories by
James Willsher



disposables and choose real nappies instead for their young ones, saving an estimated £500 each.

With every baby using a total of around 5,000 disposables nappies, the result is eight million being thrown away every day in the UK.

NEW mums and dads could win £100 of Marks and Spencer vouchers by being the 1,000th Hackney parent to make the switch to real nappies.

So far, 950 people in the borough have signed up to dispense with

the carbon footprint of real nappies can be up to 40 per cent less than using disposables ones if some simple steps are followed, such as using A+ rated washing machines and air-drying them instead of using a tumble drier.

The Council can also help cloth nappy converts with a £54 cash incentive to put towards washing costs.

The Hackney Real Nappy Network is a group of parents using real cloth nappies that holds regular informal Nappy Natters drop-in events.

MORE INFO

For further details call Real Nappies for London on: 020 7324 4709; or visit www.realmappiesforlondon.org.uk



Be quick and vote for Shoreditch Park before the deadline

Last chance to cast your vote

DON'T miss your last chance to vote for Shoreditch Park to be one of ten open spaces transformed by a £6million cash boost.

Votes need to be cast by 5pm on 30 January for the ten grants of up to £400,000 that are up for grabs to make green spaces in London safer

and more enjoyable. The winners will be the parks with the most votes.

The Mayor of London launched the campaign to regenerate open spaces in November last year, giving Londoners the chance to vote for one of 47 parks shortlisted for funding.

Kim Wright, Corporate Director for Community

Services, said: "If successful, this funding will help us continue to deliver many of the improvements identified by the local community as part of our major investment in and redevelopment of Hackney's parks."

A single grant of up to £2million for one large

park is also available, though a panel of experts will decide the winner of that funding.

MORE INFO

To vote for Shoreditch text 'parks' and your full Hackney postcode to: 62967; or visit: www.london.gov.uk/parksvote



To order your Green Box, e-mail:
recycling@hackney.gov.uk

**JOIN
IN**

Cook it with a crowd

If you're beginning to tire of chomping your way through mounds of winter vegetables, head to Stoke Newington Farmers' Market for some inspiration.

Market Chef aims to help people inspire each other with local food knowledge, rather than stay at home with celebrity chefs.

The theme of the next event will be troublesome vegetables – such as curly kale.

All food will be made from produce on sale on the day. It will be cooked in an outside kitchen, and as well as watching the demonstrations, visitors will be able to taste the final dishes and give their verdict.



Demonstrator Laurie stirs his 'happiness soup' at a previous event

Residents are also being invited to take part in the event as cooks. The market takes place every Saturday from 10am-2.30pm at William Patten School, Stoke Newington Church Street.

MORE INFO

For the next date, or if you would like to take part call: **0207 502 7588** or e-mail: growcomm@growingcommunities.org

Talking about change

MORE than 200 people packed into Abney Hall to find out how Stoke Newington could become a beacon of sustainability.

The Transition Towns event on 18 January saw community groups, social enterprises and Council officers discussing energy conservation, waste reduction, recycling, and sustainable transport.

The event was part of a national campaign to get people thinking about long-term reduction in energy use, as well as developing local projects.

It is hoped Stoke Newington can become a Transition Town, and those gathered also heard from a successful sister



project in Brixton, south London.

The Council supports a number of waste-cutting schemes, including furniture reuse; Give or Take days; and subsidised compost bins and wormeries.

MORE INFO

Visit: www.transitiontowns.org.uk or e-mail: transitiontownstoke.newington@yahoo.co.uk Waste reduction tips at: www.hackney.gov.uk/waste_reduction

Give
something
you don't want
11am - 12.30pm

Take
something
you want
1pm - 3pm

**A fun way
to recycle
and reuse in
Hackney**

Kids
Zone with
bouncy
castle

Give or Take Day!

Saturday 7 February, Grazebrook Primary School, Lordship Road, N16 0QP.

Parking available for unloading and loading only.

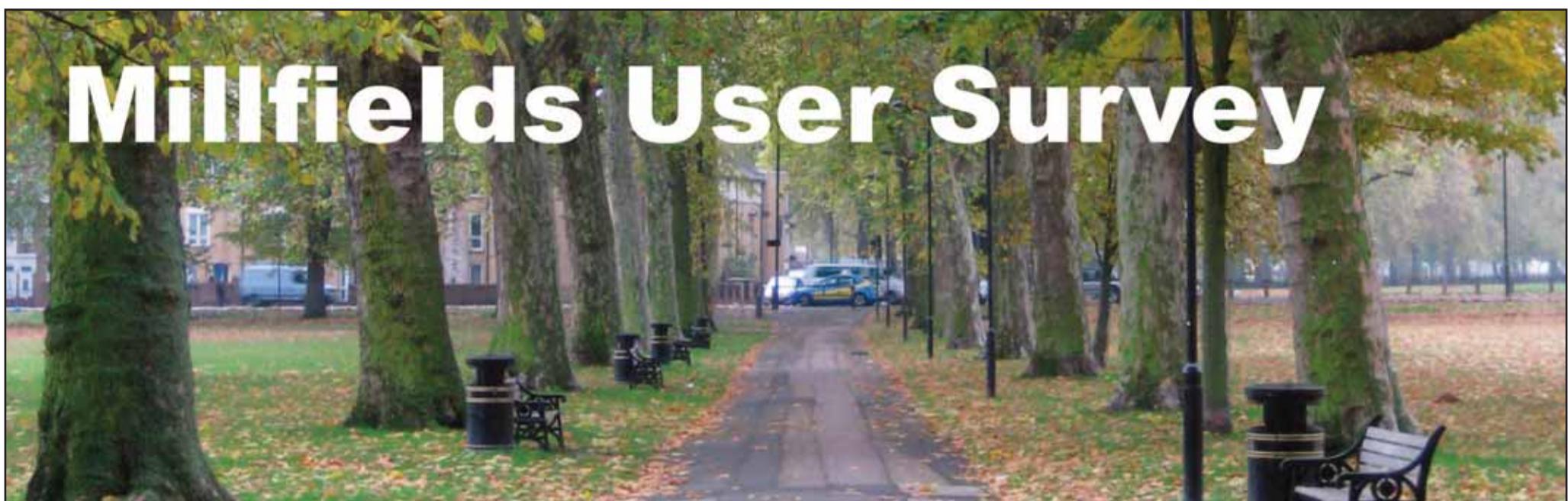
Give or take garden and household items such as books, toys, bikes, tools, kitchenware, bric-a-brac, clothes, plants, furniture and small electrical items.*

H Hackney  reuse for London

*No large electrical items like fridges or washing machines please. All electrical goods will be safety tested on the day.



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Millfields User Survey

Millfields Recreation Ground is changing.

Funding has been secured to refurbish the basketball courts as well as plant and operate a new community orchard. Hackney Council would like to make further improvements to the park. Between **2 February** and **16 March 2009** we're asking you what you want to see in Millfields Recreation Ground.

ON PAPER

Fill in our short user survey. Paper copies are in the **Ranger's Office** (near Magnet on Chatsworth Road) and **Homerton Library**.

ONLINE

www.consultationfinder.com/hackney and click on **Millfields User Survey**.

If you use the park and have an opinion, make sure we hear it

P108873 Request paper copies of the survey by contacting:
parks@hackney.gov.uk or by phoning 020 8356 3475 or 020 8356 6478



Private Foster Care

Did you know that if you are looking after someone else's child up to 16 years old (up to age 18 if disabled), you need to notify us?



Are you looking after someone else's child?

tel 0208 356 5500 / 08000 730 418

www.hackney.gov.uk



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Be part of a cutting edge project for 7-11 year olds

Flip the Script

Help a child re-write their story and make an exciting shift in your child care career by joining our Treatment Foster Care Team.

We're looking for level headed, enthusiastic people to join forces with our multi-disciplinary team to provide intensively supported foster care and behavioural support to Hackney's most vulnerable children.

To find out more about this innovative national programme, please join us at our

Fostering Open Evening

Thursday, 5th February 2009, 4-8 pm

Presentations at 4:30 and 6:30 pm

Adoption and Fostering Resource Centre, 186 Homerton High St, E9 6AG

For further info contact Karen Schiltroth, Programme Manager on: 0208 986 0775; e-mail: fostering@hackney.gov.uk; or visit: www.hackneykids.org.uk

Refreshments and crèche will be provided



Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care in England



Top-notch resource pack tells story of Windrush generation

TV drama bringing Anne's diary to life



Clapton Girls' pupils talk about the impact of Anne Frank's diary for the camera

All Stories
By
Sylvia Arthur

PUPILS from Clapton Girls' Technology College

commemorated the life of Holocaust victim Anne Frank through a unique exhibition to coincide with the launch of a BBC dramatisation of the schoolgirl's life.

Three students reviewed the BBC1 drama *The Diary of Anne Frank* in front of their peers and spoke about what Anne Frank means to them today, including how her legacy lives on in schools and communities.

The youngsters worked with The Anne Frank Trust, which was

set up to preserve and promote the teenager's legacy. The Trust was at the E5 secondary to unveil classroom materials and other

"A fantastic opportunity for pupils to talk about the impact the diary and working with the trust has had on them"

resources for young people telling Anne's tragic story, which she recorded in her diary.

Anne Frank was just 15

when she died seven months after being discovered by German soldiers in her father's office block in Nazi-occupied Amsterdam, where she had spent two years in hiding with her family.

She was sent to Bergen-Belsen concentration camp where only her father survived and after returning home he found her diary, which has become one of the world's most widely read books.

Cheryl Day, head teacher of Clapton Girls', said: "The event was a fantastic opportunity for pupils to talk about the impact the diary and working with the Anne Frank Trust has had on them, as well as how relevant they believe the diary's themes are today."



Baroness Howells and some Hackney children look over the new resource pack

Discovering Jamaican past

A UNIQUE education pack for Hackney schools about the impact of the first wave of Jamaican immigrants on British history was launched at the House of Lords.

Living Under One Roof – Windrush and Beyond was unveiled at Conversation on Community Cohesion, hosted by peers Baroness Amos and Baroness Howells. The event included an introduction to the Windrush primary schools resource pack, with presentations by

Hackney children, teachers and Windrush parents and an open discussion on building community cohesion. Maud Blair, Education Improvement Adviser at The Learning Trust, said: "Living Under One Roof – Windrush and beyond is a unique and important resource, and not just for educationalists in Hackney, but across the UK. "It has all the necessary information plus an array of materials and tools to teach our children about an

important landmark event in the history of modern Britain. It details the hopes, dreams and aspirations of the Jamaicans who arrived, as well as the broad contribution they have made to British society." The pack was developed by The Learning Trust in partnership with playwright Lorna Holder and will be distributed to all Hackney primaries. It includes films of the arrival of the Empire Windrush and The Notting Hill Riots.

Top marks for an 'outstanding' school

WOODBERRY Down Primary School has been declared "outstanding" in all areas in its Ofsted report.

The school was given the rating by the Government's education standards body after employing innovative teaching methods to support its pupils from mainly Turkish, African and Caribbean backgrounds as well as a very high proportion of refugees.

The report stated: "Woodberry Down is an outstanding school that provides high quality education for all its pupils."

It added that headteacher Greg



Pupils on a trip to Parliament last year

Wallace and his team "have very high expectations of pupils and staff and ensure the school's policies and procedures are applied consistently. Teaching and learning are outstanding, as pupils make very rapid progress from low starting points to reach the national average by the end of Year Six."

Mr Wallace said: "We were all thrilled with the report, which reflects the truly wonderful children, staff, parents and governors who make up the school community. We were especially pleased because many of our teaching methods and curriculum projects are not in widespread use."

**have
your
say**

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Pay and Display Users Survey

To make sure our services meet your needs we are currently asking motorists for their views about pay and display parking in Hackney.

The survey is open to anyone who parks in Hackney.

To complete our short survey please visit www.consultationfinder.com/hackney. You can also telephone 020 8356 8877 to be sent a copy.

Please remember to have your say by 10 March 2009

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Contact Hackney Silver Surfers now for a free information pack ...

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Phone : 020 7254 2183 (Mon - Fri, 10 - 4)
Email : free@lawns.org.uk
WWW : free.lawns.org.uk

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Communities working together for a healthier city

- Are you a local person with direct experience of mental ill health?
- Interested in promoting mental well being & positive recovery?
- Want to help others learn and explore views on mental health?

Changing Minds is a free course due to start in March 09
We shall be recruiting throughout February

Design your own training
Learn and practice the skills to become a trainer and move towards paid training opportunities
Be part of a supportive group to help you through each step

CHANGING MINDS

Contact Stephanie Monteith
Telephone: 08442252054
Mobile: 07973 985632
E-mail: info@shoreditchspa.org.uk

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the learning trust
the future for education in Hackney

TARGETING YOUR FUTURE
Your choices at 14 and 16

New opportunities for study in Hackney

- five new Diplomas
- the Foundation Learning Tier
- young apprenticeships
- post 16 apprenticeships
- applied learning

Date: Wednesday 11 February 2009
Time: Starting from 2pm - 7pm
Venue: Hackney Town Hall, London

Young people – check out your study options now and in the future.
What courses should you be choosing now to help with your future progress to university or into work?

Parents – discover what exactly is available for your child to study from Year 10?
Would an applied qualification or traditional GCSEs suit your child? What's available locally at 16 and beyond? What courses might help make your child more successful with their studies?

Teachers – come and speak to colleagues, share information about new courses and what they mean for your students.
Learn how the Foundation Learning Tier, engagement programmes and applied learning opportunities from level 1 to 3 can benefit your students.

Exhibitors include local schools, colleges, Connexions, work based learning providers and universities.

www.learningtrust.co.uk

what's on

TOP FIVE

There's so much to do in and around Hackney. From theatre to club nights, art exhibitions to community events. Here's our pick of what's on this fortnight:

MUESLI MAKING

Family fun to inspire the creation of your dream breakfast

► See Courses

EAST, WEST, HOME IS BEST

Take a journey around the Museum of Childhood to find toys from all over the world

► Young People

HOTEL MEDEA

Unique night show – a crossover of Brazilian rave, quasi religious ritual and theatre

► See Theatre

PANGEA PROJECT

Local recording studio Gun Factory Studios showcases their latest batch of talent

► See Nightlife

TREE MUSKeteERS

Planting and pruning fun for tree enthusiasts

► See What's On

ARTS

CINEMA

COURSES

HEALTH & FITNESS

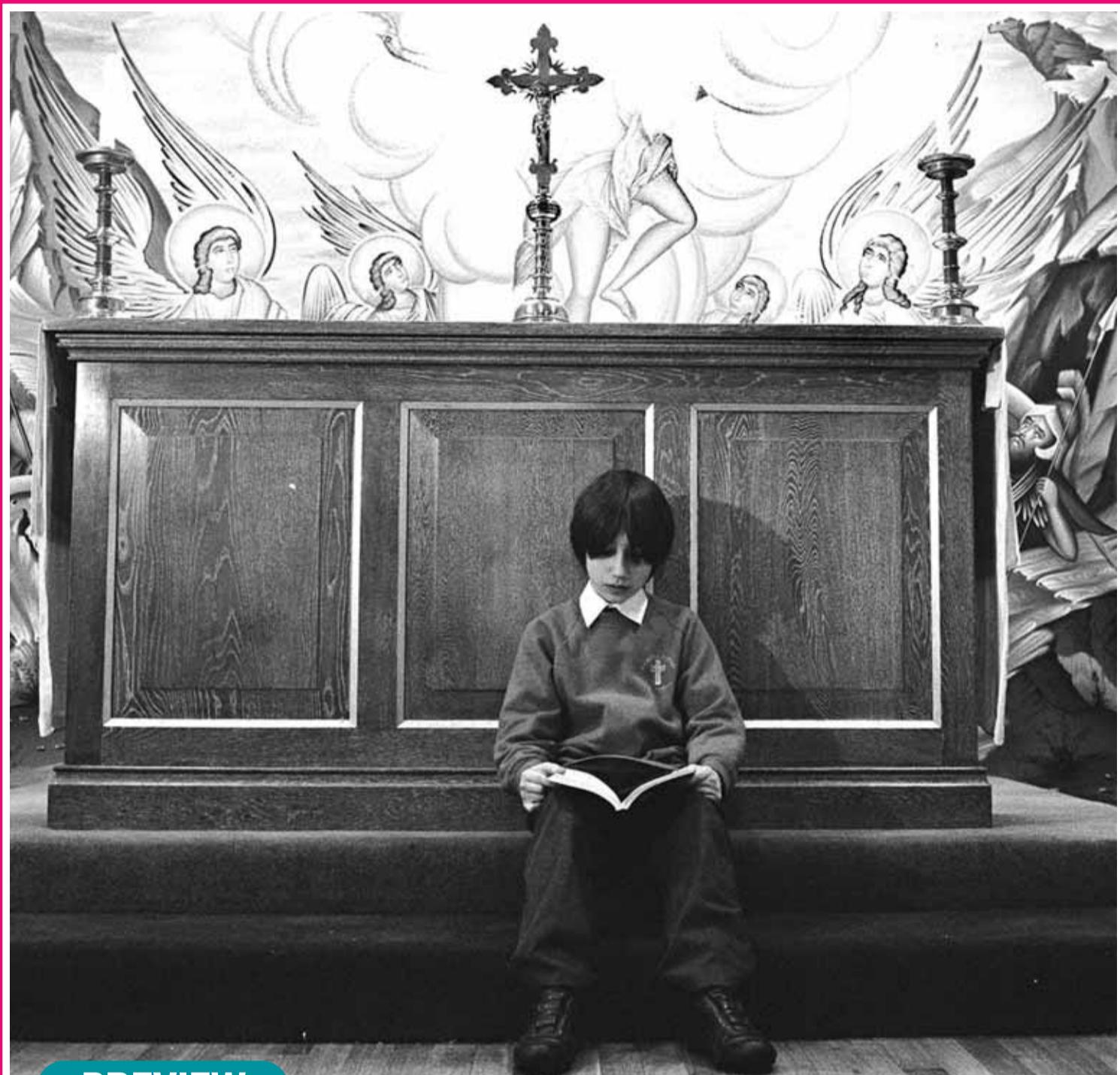
YOUNG PEOPLE

THEATRE

NIGHTLIFE

NOTICEBOARD

Pictures: Carol Allen Storey



PREVIEW

Anything is possible – 27 Jan-14 Feb, AOP Gallery, Leonard St, EC2

CAROL Allen Storey is a New York photographer specialising in portraying children, women, human rights and the environment. She conveys stories of hope where there seems to be little. She recently spent time with international children's charity, Spirituality for Kids, the results of which make up this exhibition. Spending a year with the project in the UK, she chose eight ethnically diverse children to focus on, all there to learn how to cope better. Capturing how life feels for these young people and their ability to learn and change with support, she shows that anything is possible.

Info: 020 7739 6669; www.the-aop.org

also in what's on



COURSES



HEALTH & FITNESS



**TOO MUCH IS NOT ENOUGH**

Until 8 Feb, 12-6pm, Fri-Sun. The delirium of fame and fortune along with the darker underbelly of worn out and depraved celebrity define the work in this show by five artists who each have their own fascination with this heady subject matter.
Transition Gallery, Unit 25a, Regent Studios, 8 Andrews Road, E8. Free. Info: 07941 208 566; 020 7254 4202; info@transitiongallery.co.uk



Eartha Kitt

Competition

Soak up the excitement

CHILDREN'S television superstar SpongeBob SquarePants comes to the Hackney Empire in February, in a new musical adventure. The Sponge Who Could Fly! follows SpongeBob, Patrick and their zany Bikini Bottom pals as the aquatic hero embarks on his dream to fly with the jellyfish. Will he take flight, or will his dream come crashing back down to the ocean floor? This is a tale too exciting to be kept beneath the waves.

The show runs at the Hackney Empire from 3-8 February, and it's also the UK stage premiere of this magical musical about dreams, friendship, and soaring to new heights.

Tickets: £25, £20, £15. U18s 50% off all tickets. Family Ticket £70. For booking/info call: 020 8985 2424 or visit: www.hackneyempire.co.uk
Hackney Today has five family tickets to see SpongeBob SquarePants – The Sponge Who Could Fly! at the Hackney Empire on 4 February, at 7pm. Send your name, address, and phone number to: SpongeBob SquarePants competition; Hackney Today, Communications, 2 Hillman Street, E8 1FB; or e-mail: htnews@hackney.gov.uk by 12 noon on 30 January. Winners will be picked out of a hat.



WIN!!
SpongeBob's Empire adventure

**MINK SCHMINK**

Until 15 Feb, Sat & Sun, 12-6pm, or by appt. A group exhibition taking its title from a song by the late Eartha Kitt. WW Gallery, 30 Queensdown Rd, E5. Free. Info: 07531 342 128; wwgallery@gmail.com; www.wilsonwilliamsgallery.com

**RIO CINEMA**

Milk (15); Igor (PG); Manon (PG). 107 Kingsland High St, E8. Info/more films: 020 7241 9410; www.riocinema.org.uk

RICH MIX

Slumdog Millionaire(15); The Wrestler(15); Milk(15); 35 Bethnal Green Road, E1. Info/more films: www.richmix.org.uk; info@richmix.org.uk

ODEON LEE VALLEY

Revolutionary road (15); Valkyrie (12); Milk (15).

Info/more films: 0871 22 44 007; www.odeon.co.uk

STRATFORD EAST PICTUREHOUSE

Igor (PG, autism friendly screening); Met. Opera: Lucia de Lammermoor. Info/more films: 0871 704 2066; www.picturehouses.co.uk

VUE CINEMA ISLINGTON

Valkyrie (12); Revolutionary road (15); Doubt (15). Info/more films: 08712 240 240; www.myvue.com

MUESLI MAKING

31 Jan, 11am-12pm. Muesli-

**COURSES**

making workshop to celebrate Farmhouse Breakfast Week, by Rude health, which makes mueslis and porridges. Create your dream breakfast, fun event for

whole family. Hackney City Farm, 1a Goldsmiths row, E2 8QA. Info: 0845 465 7833; holly@rudehealth.com

CERAMIC WORKSHOP

2 Feb-23 March, 7-9pm.

Learn creative thinking and techniques in clay, from designing your own ceramic range of dishes and plates to sculpting a totally original art form. You will learn about the ceramic process from start to finish, coloured slips and glazing methods. Passing Clouds, 440 Richmond Rd. £169, 7 week course, inc most materials, two firings, and a private view evening. Info: 0777 966 8280.

LIFE DRAWING CLASS

Mondays, 7-9pm. All welcome



to draw and paint from a life model in a sympathetic environment. Easels and drawing boards are provided, other materials available to buy. Sessions led by practicing painters. **Core Arts, 1 St Barnabas Terrace, E9 6DJ.** £7 per session. Info: 07984 233842; 0208 533 3500; mail@corearts.co.uk; www.corearts.co.uk

ARGENTINE TANGO

Every Mon, 8-9.30pm.

Traditional Argentine tango classes. Beginners course first Monday of each month. £9/7.

73a Church St, Stoke Newington, N16.

Info: 07737 011 394; tangoconexion@yahoo.com

BLOCK PRINTING

Every Tues, 10am-1pm.

Come along and design and print your own cushion covers, shopping bags or whatever takes your fancy. 50yrs+. No fee for carers. **Dalston Methodist Centre, 11 Richmond Rd, E8.** Free to members. Info: 020 7923 8690

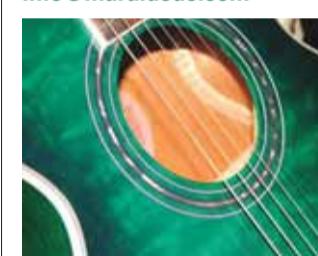
MURALDO DC DANCE SCHOOL

Every Sat 9.30am, Caribbean

quadrilles, traditional drumming, dances from the Caribbean & Africa, contemporary ballet, Caribbean stories and games. Also Africanistic development, and learn about Caribbean culture. **St Luke's Church, E9 6RT.**

5yrs+. £3 children, £4 youth, £6 adults, £3 seniors.

Savings if block book. Info: 07961 930771; info@muraldodc.com

**GUITAR WORKSHOP**

Every other Sat morning.

Plenty of playing together in lesson, focusing on skills for performance and playing together, using traditional songs as a starting point, also playing by ear. £15pp, 2-hour session. Book your place. Near Dalston Lane.

Info/booking: 07780 813 835; stephano4u@yahoo.com

PIANO LESSONS

Flexible times. Learn to play the piano or develop your skills in a fun and friendly atmosphere. Lessons are tailored to suit each individual. Taught by Cherry Muckle, graduate of Cambridge, taught by Nelly Ben-Or. **5 mins from Old St tube, N1.** £15 per half hour. Free consultation. Info: 020 7033 9191; www.cherrymuckle.com

BEAT THE WINTER BLUES

5 Feb, fortnightly. 11.30am-12.30pm. A friendly group for people over 60,

that will include creative visualisations, poems, stories, favourite recipes and a cup of hot nourishing soup. **Hoxton health, St Leonard's, Nuttall St, N1 5LZ.** Info: 020 7739 2533.

BASIC GARDENING COURSE

13 Feb- 24 April, Fridays.

10.30am-12.30pm. St Mary's Secret Garden is offering a 10-week course covering all the basics from sowing seeds, to cuttings, planting and composting. The garden

setting provides the opportunity for would be gardeners to experience "how to garden" with the guidance of experts. Spaces limited. **St Mary's Secret Garden, 50 Pearson St, E5 8TL.** £80 / £55 concs. Info: 020 7739 2965; www.stmarysssecretgarden.org.uk (download enrolment form).

CYCLE TRAINING EVENTS

Cycle training for all ages and abilities, through a programme by STA bikes and Team Hackney, offering family cycle clubs and one-off events on Hackney estates. Experienced instructors in a supportive environment. Bikes can be loaned, and basic mechanical repairs taught. Lots of helpful advice. Info/register interest: 020 7923 8362; gail@stabikes.org; www.stabikes.org.uk

IMPROVE YOUR ENGLISH

Tailor-made tuition and support in general English, English conversation, Business English and English pronunciation. Cambridge CELTA qualified teacher. Location flexible, discounts on block booking. Info: aikemp@totalise.co.uk

**COACHING FOR LONDONERS**

Until end of March. London Winter of Sport is supporting 100 community sports clubs and schools to offer free sporting opportunities to all, encouraging a 2012 sporting legacy. Find out what is happening in your area, from basketball to trampolining and dancing. Info: www.london.gov.uk/winterofsport/

YOGA

Every Wed until 11 Feb.

12.15-1.15pm. A session for adults, all abilities, good for relieving stress, lower back pains, headaches, and general relaxation. **Sir Thomas Abney Primary School, Fairholt Road, N16 5ED.** Info: 07904 808503.

YOGA CLASSES FOR BEGINNERS

12 Feb, 8 weeks, 5.30-6.30/6.45-7.45pm. Relaxation for the body and mind. Carole

Young Community Centre,
Cranston Estate. £4 per class.
Info: hoxtonyoga@yahoo.com

BATTODO

Every Wed, 6.30-7.30pm.
Practice of the sword in Japan used to develop health, co ordination, concentration and equanimity. "Batto" refers to a quick drawing and striking with the sword. "Do" refers to a path of training aimed at full development of the individual. Beginners class. **London Buddhist Arts centre, Eastbourne House, Bullards Place, E2 OPT.** Info: 020 8533 5553; www.battodo-fudokan.co.uk

**DANCE AND POLE CLASSES**

Every Tues + Thurs, 8.15-9.30pm, Every Sat 11am-12.30pm. Bored of the gym? Get fit and have fun with dance and pole classes. Small classes. Book six classes get one free. **£12. 18-60 yrs.** Kingsland Rd. Info: anna@balesque.com; www.balesque.com

EMPOWER

Daily. Six personal training sessions over period of 6 weeks, in addition to access to full gym and classes. Sessions include nutritional and motivational advice. **16yrs+. £85.** **Energie Fitness, 3 Reading Lane, E8.** Info: 020 8986 6206; hackney@energie-club.co.uk

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YOUNG PEOPLE

EAST, WEST, HOME IS BEST

7 & 8 Feb, 10.30-12pm, 2-4pm. Where is your home? Take a journey around the museum to find toys from all over the world. Make a global accessory to wear and finish by helping to decorate with artwork that represents our different homes. **V&A Museum of Childhood, Cambridge Heath Rd, E2 9PA.** Info: 020 8983 5200.



DISCOVER YOUNG HACKNEY 09 (DYH '09)
14 Feb-14 March. A month-long free festival for participation and training in the arts for young people, with workshops ranging from music to photography. 11-19yrs. Info: 020 8356 7209; www.hackney.gov.uk/dyh

**THEATRE & LIVE ENTERTAINMENT**

MEASURE FOR MEASURE
29 & 31 Jan, 2.30pm. Shakespeare's dark comedy explores corruption in high places, abuse of authority, legalism, hypocrisy, love and loyalty. Incorporating intense relationship struggles, trickery and situational comedy; human nature is revealed at its weakest and strongest. **(Upstairs) Old Blue Last, 38 Great Eastern St, EC2A 3ES.** £10/£7.50 concs. 16yrs+. Info / to book: 020 7253 2135; www.lightsoflondonproductions.co.uk

HOTEL MEDEA
29 Jan – 14 Feb, midnight-6am. Unique night show, a crossover of Brazilian rave, quasi religious ritual and theatre. Interactive performance featuring a Brazilian party with a soundtrack by renowned DJ Dolores, and live video technology. Based on the ancient Greek revenge myth, Medea. **The Arcola, 27 Arcola St, E8 2DJ.** £22.50 / concs £18. Info: 020 7503 1646; www.arcolatheatre.com

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YOUNG PEOPLE

MY BEST FRIEND

Until 1 Feb, 7.30pm. Best friends for over 30 years, time plays tricks with their memory and some wounds are just too deep to heal. **The Courtyard theatre, Bowling Green Walk, 40 Pitfield St, N1 6EU.** £15/10 concs. Info: www.thecourtyard.co.uk

STAND UP COMEDY

2 Feb, 8pm. Stand up comedy with the hilarious Liam Jones,

Liz Carr, Dave Gibson, Ben Briggs, Andrew Bird and compere Jojo Sutherland. **Theatre Royal bar, Gerry Raffles Square, E15 1BN.** Free. Info: 020 8279 1123.

CALLAS

5,6,7 Feb, 7.30pm. "La Divina", based on interviews with the troubled singer from 1957-1970 she tells of her meteoric rise to stardom, her off-stage dramas, jet-setting lifestyle, disastrous marriages, and struggles with the complex personality that lies behind her extraordinary vocal artistry. **The Rosemary Branch Theatre, 2 Shepperton Rd, N1 3DT.** £10/8 concs. Info: 020 77004 6665

**AIRSWIMMING**

Until 15 Feb, 7.30pm. It's 1924 and with no idea why, Persephone has been taken from her world of finishing schools and cocktail parties, and finds herself instead in St. Dymphna's hospital for the criminally insane, condemned to scrub bathrooms with fellow inmate Dora. 14yrs+. £12/10 concs. **Courtyard Theatre (studio), 55 East Rd, N1.** Info: 0870 163 0717; www.thecourtyard.org.uk

IN THE MIX, JAZZ

Every Sun, until 29 March. 2-5pm. Free jazz by Soweto Kinch in the bar, with a selection of guest artists and performers taking jazz to the next level. Opportunities to perform alongside, also with a range of theatre makers. **Rich Mix, Bethnal Green Rd, E1 6LA.** Info: 020 7613 7498, www.richmix.org.uk

**CARGO**

28 Jan. 7pm-1am. The sound of a global latin London. Live: Lokki Terra + Ambaibo DJs: Latin dub soundsystem + Clem George. MC: Philipsman.

**REVIEW****Window to the windowless**

By Beccy Smart

Santu Mofokeng – Photography, Rivington Place, Shoreditch, until 28 Feb

MOFOKENG is a photographer on the up from South Africa. This is his first solo exhibition in the UK; a black and white collection of gritty images of everyday life in his homeland. He has recorded people in their home territory, and his collection of stark images tells the broader story of life in South Africa for black people. Hinged on apartheid, he challenges the viewer by showing both intimate people

images and lost open landscapes. By keeping the focus on his subjects – or non-subjects – open and frequently off centre, the 'innocent' composition of his work is the common thread. Locals are photographed passing by a huge billboard advert, and relaxed friends are captured happily dining and dancing together in modest surroundings. A chicken is pictured in a blacked-out room, and two goats stand nonchalantly shoulder-to-shoulder. Also thrown into this mix are pictures of brick walls – stand-alone images that seem to reinforce the sense of the

dreary built environment contrasted by the great natural landscapes. All are elements of what these South African people live with everyday, great expanses, wandering animals, dusty modern advertising and modest property. He has captured their fabric and in doing so gives a window to the windowless. We are looking at images of people who live the underdog life, a very different world to those for whom it is likely the photographs were taken for. **Rivington Place is open Tues to Sat, hours vary. For info call: 020 7749 1240; or visit: www.rivingtonplace.org**

83 Rivington St, EC2. £5 adv, £7 door. Info: www.cargo-london.com/event/wire

BARDENS BOUDOIR

30 Jan, 8pm. African boy live, Major influences include Nigerian superstar Sir Shina Peters and Fela and fellow peers Kano and Dizzee Rascal. Opening for PRINCE during his back-to-back shows at the o2 means he definitely has

what it takes. **36 Stoke Newington Rd, N16 7XJ. £6.** Info: www.bardensboudoir.co.uk

PANGEA PROJECT

30 Jan, 8.30pm. Local recording studio Gun Factory Studios showcases their latest batch of talent with bands including Deshamonix and experimental pop band Clapton Fox. **72 Stamford Hill, N16.**

Info: 07593 505 525; thepangeaproject@gmail.com; www.pangeaproject.co.uk

PEACOCK THEORY FUNDRAISER

13 Feb, 9pm. A new club night of underground and upfront electronic music, alongside contemporary art & photography to raise money for the Prostate Cancer Research Foundation. The best

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Dance to the death

REVIEW

By Kate Gibney

In Blood: The Bacchae, Arcola Theatre, E8, 8pm, until 31 Jan

To first of all be clear. This is a play to enjoy in its own right. If beautifully lit and choreographed fight dance, rhythmic, catchy music and a colourful set are your thing, you will be happy to overlook the fact that the script is slightly rambling and littered with profanities. If you are hoping to find more than an echo of Euripides in this tale of fighting in 1920s Brazilian society you may be a little thrown. Capoeira is a Brazilian martial art incorporating diverse elements of African culture including dance, music, acrobatics and various fighting

forms and the merging of two cultural forms both involving ritual, war and passion. Interspersed with a dazzling display of this, is the story of a trail of murders; a cunning hero of the people with a personal score to settle; and a coke-addicted police chief who each day leaves a rose on the spot where he killed a woman, and promptly fell in love with her. The drama seems to tail off towards the end – there is a moment where it seemed ready to wrap up – but then continued for an epilogue of sex and death. However, it was the elegant dance that made a real impression – the Arcola offers twice-weekly classes for those who aren't daunted by this expert performance. For more info visit: www.arcolatheatre.com; or call: 020 7503 1645. Tickets £15, Tues 'pay what you can'.

up and coming djs and producers, electro, breaks, dubstep, tech house, nu-disco.

The Edinburgh Cellars,
125 Newington Green Rd,
Islington, N14 RA. Info:
07903 046340;
Peacocktheory@hotmail.co.uk;
www.theedinburghcellars.co.uk

free to all in East London.
Goods can be donated. Info:
020 8525 6040.

TABLE TOP SALE

31 Jan, 11am-3pm. Bric-a-brac, toys, clothes, jewellery, refreshments. Fundraising money for the special care baby unit at the Homerton hospital, and volunteer group, Families in crises. **Mayville community centre**, Woodville Rd, N16. Free. Info: 07949 524 528.

THINK ABOUT FOSTERING

5 Feb, 4-8pm. Information evening for those who are interested in fostering. Hackney needs more foster carers, and members of the fostering team will be on hand to talk about fostering and the type of support that is available. Adoption and Fostering Resource Centre, 186 Homerton High St, E9 6AG. Info: 08000 730 418; fostering@hackney.gov.uk

BUSINESS ADVICE EVENT

10 Feb, 11.30am-1.30pm. Thinking about working for yourself, planning it or already doing it? HBV Enterprise can provide you with the knowledge, skills and solutions you need to establish and develop a successful business. Free. 18yrs+. Hackney Central Library, 1 Reading Lane, E8 1GQ. Info: 020 8356 4359; 020 7254 9595.

RIVERSIDE NURSERY
Going To Work?
Our small, happy, nursery now has vacancies for children 0-5 years. Riverside Close, Clapton, E5 9SP. Please call to arrange your childcare. Tel: 020 8806 7143 or riverside.nursery@tiscali.co.uk

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UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE
Hackney University of the Third Age is a cross-community organisation of retired people. Share your interests with like-minded people in the many groups, develop new interests and make new friends. No lower age limit, and no upper. Info: 020 8442 4852; www.hu3a.wordpress.com



NOTICEBOARD

TREE MUSKETEERS

14 Feb, 10-1pm. Planting orchard trees on South Millfields, Millfields Park. Meet on the cycle/footpath from the river near the power station. Info: 07758 326 530; 020 8985 5008; TM@km551818.demon.co.uk; www.hackneyenvironment.org.uk/TM

AGE CONCERN HACKNEY AGM

29 Jan, 10.30am-2pm. Speaker on forthcoming national campaigns, free lunch, jive session, assistance with transport available for people with mobility difficulties. **The Tab Centre**, Godfrey's Place, E2 (by Mildmay Hospital). Free. 50yrs+. Info: 020 7241 5906

REGENERATION: PUBLIC SEMINAR

29 Jan, 5.30-8pm. Public seminar looking at historical and contemporary debate on community regeneration. Sarah Wise will talk about the Old Nichol in Bethnal Green. Stephen Hill will talk about experiences of trying to ensure that regeneration benefits the most disadvantaged people in sustainable ways. **The Women's Library**, Old Castle St, E1 7NT. Free. Info: 020 8223 8372; Enrico.panizzo@thpct.nhs.uk

GREAT ATTIC SALE

31 Jan, 10am-1pm. St Joseph's Hospice is holding its annual Great Attic Sale. Staff, volunteers, patients and friends hope to raise vital funds for the hospice by selling vintage clothes, bric-a-brac, books and toys all available at low prices. The funds will go towards the 'end of life care' provided, which is

what's on

Submitting an event by e-mail?

Please ensure the date and name of the event is in the subject title, and the date, time, cost, description, location, and contact details are included in the copy.

We reserve the right to edit any material.

Competition



Eat yourself Italian

NOW in its fifth year, Italian lifestyle event La Dolce Vita 2009 is focusing on the delights of Italian cuisine. Celebrating the joys of traditional Italian produce and wine – as well as design, fashion, holidays and property – the four-day event will take place at Kensington's Olympia Exhibition Centre. Five of the most famous chefs cooking Italian food in the UK will each create one course – starter, pasta, fish, main and dessert – of the perfect Italian meal. So far, Giorgio Locatelli of Locanda Locatelli, Theo Randall of the InterContinental on Park Lane and Andy Needham of the Michelin-starred Zafferano in Knightsbridge have all been confirmed. Visitors can dine on all five

courses or just pick a selection. For cooks, The Producers' Market, will showcase a hand-picked selection of artisan food producers from throughout Italy. La Dolce Vita takes place at Grand Hall, Olympia Exhibition Centre, W14, from 26-29 March. Tickets cost £16, £14 adv, £8 children. For booking and further details visit: ladolcavitaevent.co.uk. Hackney Today has five pairs of tickets to La Dolce Vita. Send your name, address and phone number to: Dolce Vita competition, Hackney Today, Communications, 2 Hillman Street, E8 1FB, or e-mail: htnews@hackney.gov.uk by 12 noon on 30 January. Winners will be picked out of a hat.

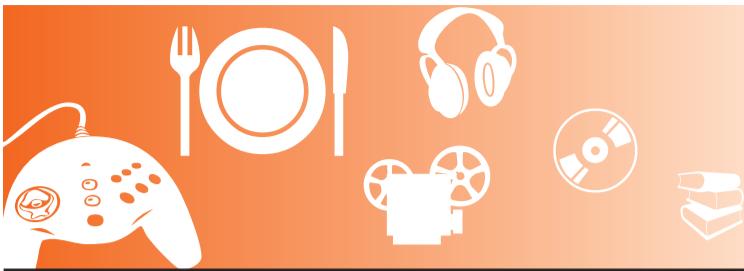
Competitions

Hackney Today offered readers a chance to win some great tickets in issue 199.

The lucky winner of pair of tickets to New Act of the Year at the Hackney Empire was: Phillip Tang from E2.

The winners of our four pairs of Tickets to see The Challenging Tide at Teatro Technis, NW1, were: N Gates from N1, D Shaw from E5, M King from N16, and V Soliar N4

Congratulations!



Rising to the challenge

By James Willsher

A YOUTH music mentor has received a prestigious national arts qualification.

Steven McKenzie, 22, has been awarded one of the first Gold Arts Awards to be given out in London, following years of work with Hackney-based music development charity, Rising Tide.

The awards are national qualifications funded by the Arts Council to promote the development of young people as artists and leaders.

Steven joined Rising Tide eight years ago where he

developed his musical talents. Since then he has mentored more than 65 young people in the borough as part of the charity's Positive Activities for Young People (PAYP) programme during the past two years, which he also planned and managed last summer.

Steven said: "I feel proud because I can say that I have achieved something and did not give up, although it was tough. The award has been a challenge but has enlightened me about the importance of developing planning and organising skills, which I will use in my career."

As well as being a music tutor and touring musician, Steven is undertaking the

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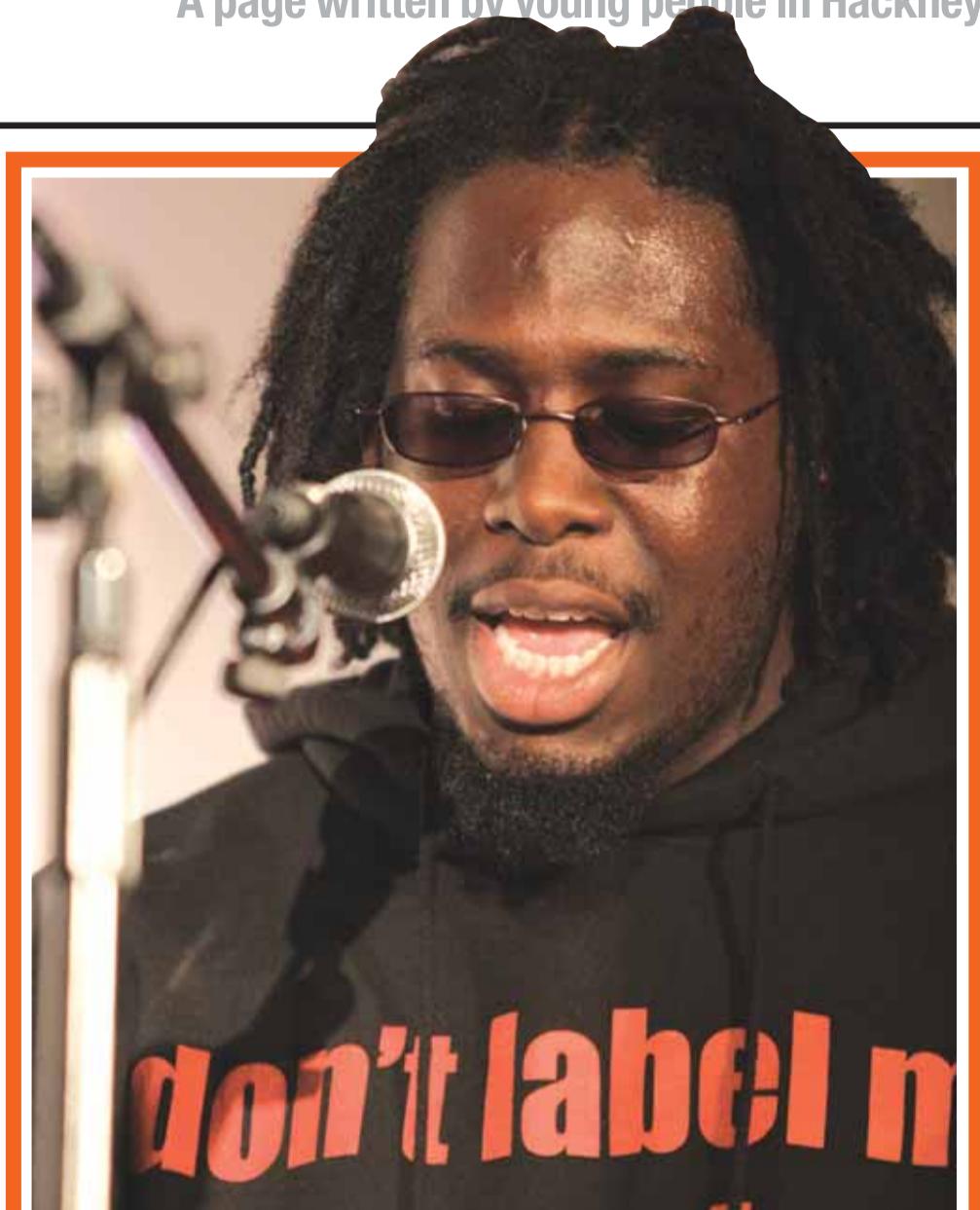
Preparing to Teach in the Lifelong Learning Sector programme, funded by The Learning Trust.

Gabin Sinclair, director of Rising Tide, said: "Steven McKenzie is an asset to the Rising Tide Team and an inspiration to the people he mentors.

"I am delighted that he has achieved his Gold Arts Award."

MORE INFO

Call the Rising Tide Team on 020 8986 3222 or e-mail: admin@rising-tide.co.uk



Award-winning mentor and musician Steven McKenzie

Snoop into the past and stay to help out

By Rhasan Brunner, 14

THERE are many ways you could spend your weekend. Contrast would like to recommend snooping.

We are not suggesting you go round peeking through people's letterboxes or rummaging through bins. Hackney has a place where you can stand in other people's living rooms, and walk through four centuries of history – simply



Students take advantage of the museum's education programme (above and below); the Geffrye's imposing front (left)

by stepping from one room to the next. This place is the Geffrye Museum.

If you have never been before then you must. That's an order. You could even encourage your teacher to organise a school trip. The museum has won several awards for its educational work, and

runs a series of seminars and workshops.

Its permanent collection shows the changing style of English homes from 1600 to the present day, and there are exhibitions throughout the year. Until February you can see a Choosing the Chintz exhibition, which

gives a new insight into how men's and women's roles have changed.

You may feel so at home in the rooms that you want to move in. Unfortunately, this isn't possible.

But you could try volunteering like Jade,

Yasmin, Shantel and Sunny, who are aged between 14 and 19. You will get involved in a number of the activities, as well as giving tours.

All the volunteers agreed doing tours was a little frightening, but that it has improved their confidence.

Yasmin said: "When there were more people it was quite scary but as I got into my flow I didn't feel nervous. In the beginning, it was nerve-racking but I've built my confidence up now."

The museum offers all the information you'll need and gives volunteers topics to

research. If you like history then you should definitely give this a try – contact the museum for details.

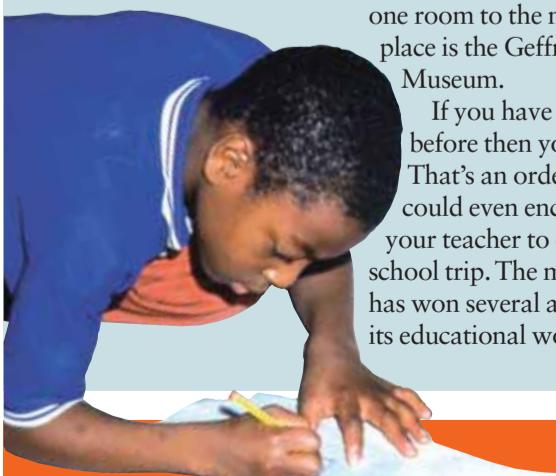
MORE INFO

The museum in Kingsland Rd, E2, is free to visit. Call: 020 7739 9893; visit: www.geffrye-museum.org.uk; or e-mail: info@geffrye-museum.org.uk



Social Spider CIC
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THIS page has been compiled with the help of young people who work on Contrast magazine. An editorial team of 13 to 19-year-olds decide the content, produce articles, designs and illustrations with the support of Social Spider – a not-for-profit communications agency. For more info e-mail: contrast@socialspider.com, or visit: www.socialspider.com



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WE HAVE LIMITED FUNDS FOR THIS SCHEME AND ACCEPTANCE WILL BE ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVED BASIS.

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Tel: 020 8356 5751**



ON THE UP

This page was compiled with the help of Homerton hospital, City & Hackney Primary Care Trust (CHPCT), and the East London NHS Foundation Trust



Securing a healthy future...

Children keeping healthy at London Fields Lido

All stories by
Siobhan Silbert

A NEW initiative has been launched by the NHS to encourage people to make positive, long-term changes to their lifestyles.

The change4life campaign aims to get people thinking about things like healthier eating

and exercise.

Did you know that the prevalence of obesity has increased three-fold in the last 30 years? Or that 90 per cent of today's children could be overweight or obese by 2050?

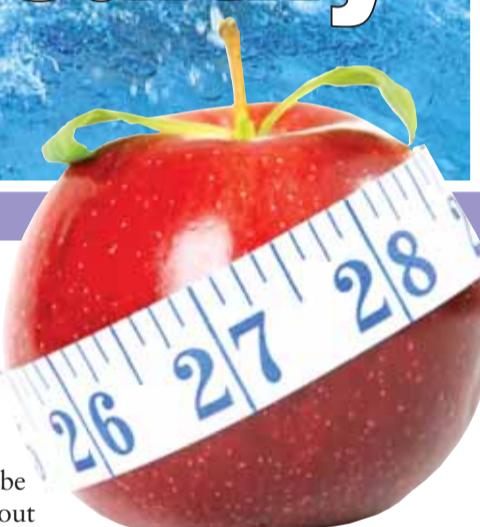
As part of change4life, CHPCT and the Council are gathering views on how they can make the borough a healthier, happier place to live, play and work.

A Healthy Weight

community event will be held at Ocean in Mare Street on 31 January.

Residents will be able to talk about exactly what they need to help them make changes in their lives.

This could include more healthy food outlets, better play spaces for children, or better access to sports.



MORE INFO

Numbers limited. To attend call Joy Kahumbu on: 020 7683 4044 or e-mail: joy.kahumbu@chpct.nhs.uk

...and bringing the past to life

WERE you or your children born in a Hackney hospital?

Did you visit the dentist in Hackney when you were a child? Do you remember the beginnings of the National Health Service 60 years ago, or even a time before that when people paid to go to the doctor? We're looking for memories and

experiences that will help to bring a new exhibition to life.

Hackney Museum's Life Savers, a fascinating look at healthcare in the borough over the last 100 years, will open in Reading Lane on 3 March for a fond trip down memory lane – which is where local people come in.

MORE INFO

Call Sue McAlpine on: 020 8356 2551 or e-mail: hmuseum@hackney.gov.uk



NEWS IN BRIEF

New member for hospital trust board

CITY and Hackney Primary Care Trust (CHPCT) recently welcomed a new non-executive director to the board. Catherine Max is a consultant and adviser to the Government, as well as charity, voluntary sector, and not for profit organisations in policy, strategy and service improvement.



Catherine Max

Her role as non-executive director at the trust is to make sure the interests of patients come first, and that services and finances are properly managed. She brings a wide range of experience in public health, sustainable development, economic development and employment, cultural services, and civil legal aid reform. At the London Health Commission (LHC), Catherine spearheaded innovative work integrating health and sustainable development, which she is now developing in relation to social care. Catherine is also the co-author with David Coats of Healthy Work, Productive Workplaces: Why the UK Needs More "Good Jobs" (LHC and Work Foundation 2005).

'First-rate' A&E service

VISITORS to Homerton Hospital's Accident and Emergency department are experiencing a high-quality service – according to a survey of patients carried out by the Healthcare Commission.

The hospital is in the top 20 per cent in the country for the majority of the questions asked about patients' satisfaction levels for A&E visits.

Dr John Coakley, Hospital Medical Director, said: "These returns in the survey show our A&E team to be providing a first rate service for local people. We score well in key categories such as waiting times for treatment; the quality of care given by staff; and even in communication with patients, which is commendable given that many do not speak English as a first language."

Patients commented on the hospital's friendly welcoming staff, the speed at which they were seen and the professional attitude of the doctors: "I was seen very quickly. The hospital has improved, and staff at reception are welcoming. Seating arrangements are better and it was excellent to see the children have their own secure area."



Homerton's A&E department has scored well in the Healthcare Commission's survey



City and Hackney
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London EC2M 3WA
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Homerton University Hospital
Homerton Row
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Tel: 020 8510 5342
24 hours

Tollgate Lodge
57 Stamford Hill
London N16 5SR
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WE WANT TO KNOW WHAT YOU THINK OF HACKNEY TODAY

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Hackney Today was re-launched with a brand new look at the end of 2007, with input from local residents.

Since then it has gone from strength to strength, coming runner-up in two national awards for best council publication in 2008, but we want to keep improving the paper and need your feedback.

We'd really appreciate it if you could take the time to complete a short readers' survey to tell us what you think. If you have any ideas about how the paper could be improved, now is your chance to tell us.

Everyone who completes the survey will get an **I Love Hackney badge**, and five lucky people can win an **I Love Hackney goodie bag** with extra treats. You can access the survey online at: www.consultationfinder.com/hackney



Locally-born playwright Harold Pinter (centre), a former Hackney Grocers' School pupil, returned to his home borough for location shots to be made in the filming of his outstandingly successful play, "The Caretaker." Star of the film, Donald Pleasance, and a cameraman make up the trio, who stopped work long enough for a break in the Britannia publichouse, Mare-street, and to pose especially for the "Gazette" photographer. In spite of the cold weather, the filming was watched by a large crowd in Hackney streets.

Pausing for reflection

By Sally England

THE death of playwright, actor, director, screenwriter and Nobel Prize winner Harold Pinter in December made headlines around the world.

Pinter's work has embedded itself in British culture. His plays, best known for the pregnant pauses in their dialogue, have brought the phrase 'Pinteresque' into the vernacular, and his most famous works – The Caretaker, The Homecoming and The Birthday Party – are often set for GCSE and A-level.

The man whose name is on our lips every time we feel stalked by hidden menace began life in Hackney on October 10, 1930. His father, Jack, a tailor with artistic leanings, and his mother Francesca, were both Jewish. The Pinter family had migrated from Portugal, while Francesca's family was from Poland.

Pinter attended Hackney Downs Grammar School, where he was influenced by teacher Joseph Brearley, who had an infectious passion for drama and poetry. He cast 15-year-old Pinter as Macbeth in a modern production of the play, dressed in a major-general's uniform. The young actor liked it so much he wore it on the bus to his home in Thistlewaite Road.

For many years Brearley



and Pinter took long walks in the Hackney area, discussing literature and quoting poetry and plays to each other. Pinter never forgot those walks, and when Brearley died in 1977, he wrote a poem recalling them with great affection.

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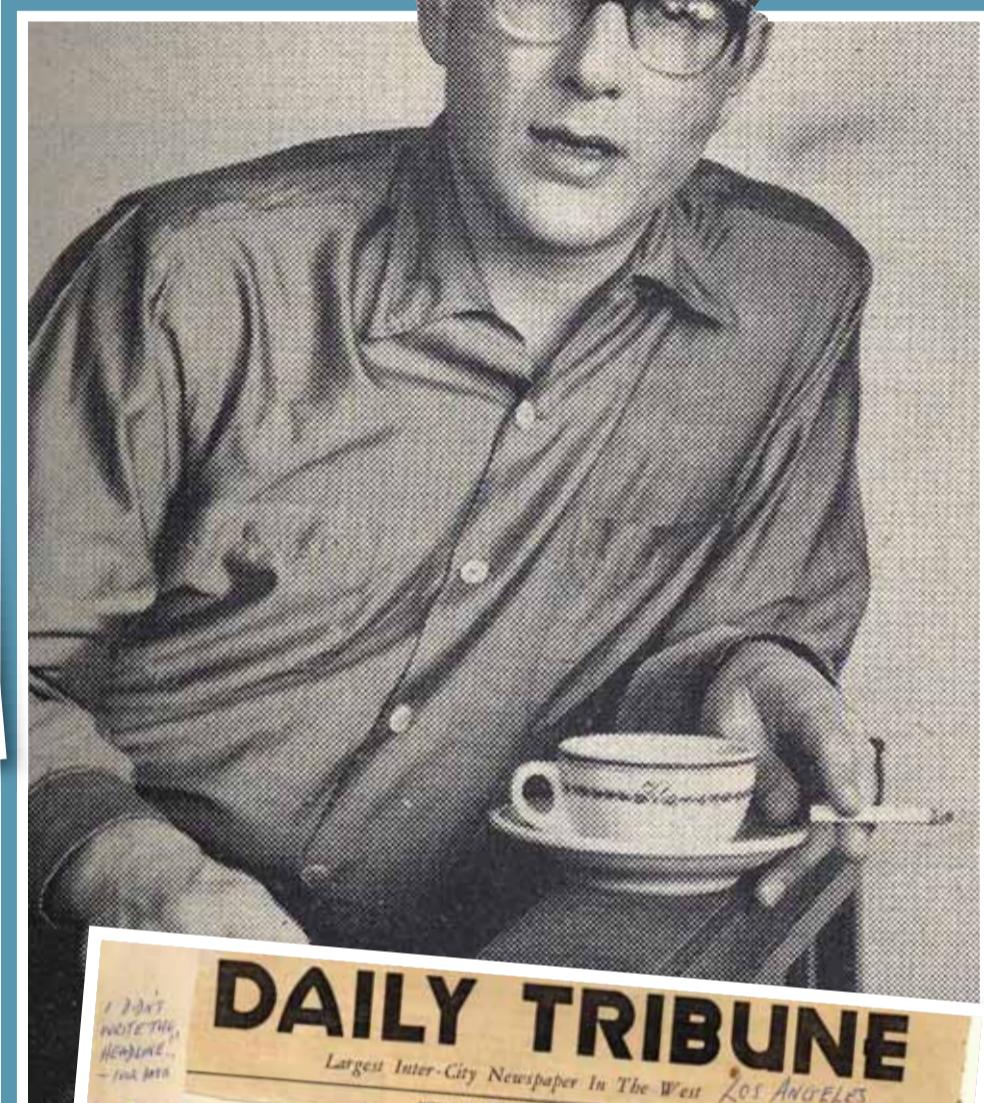
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Shot in an attic rented from the London County Council, the film was funded in what The Times considered 'a curious and

encouraging fashion'. Pinter, director Clive Donner, producer Lord Birkett and stars Donald Pleasance and Alan Bates, together with Broadway actor Robert Shaw, formed Caretaker Films Ltd, taking no pay until the film began to make a profit.

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(Clockwise from top):
Image from a 1961 story in Time magazine; the LA article on filming *The Caretaker* in Hackney; Pinter's poem about walking with his teacher; a classroom at Hackney Downs Grammar; Pinter with actors Donald Pleasance and Robert Shaw in Hackney to shoot *The Caretaker*

Joseph Brearley 1909-1977 (Teacher of English)

Dear Joe, I'd like to walk with you
From Clapton Pond to Stamford Hill
And on,
Through Manor House to Finsbury Park,
And back,
On the dead 653 trolleybus,
To Clapton Pond,
And walk across the shadows on to Hackney Downs,
And stop by the old bandstand,
You tall in moonlight,
And the quickness in which it all happened,
And the quick shadow in which it persists.

You're gone. I'm at your side,
Walking with you from Clapton Pond to Finsbury Park,
And on, and on.

Various Voices : Prose, Poetry, Politics 1948-1968
(Faber and Faber 1998)

MORE INFO

Hackney Archives – based at 43 De Beauvoir Road, N1 – looks after Council administrative records and archives dating back to 1700. It also keeps records for individuals and organisations with links to Hackney. Call: 020 7241 2886, or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/archives

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Phone: 0208 356 5765/5769

Money to Help You Move

Hackney



Newly car-free Beth Walton received her prizes from a Streetcar representative; and the Hackney Streetcar launch last year (top)

Picture: Gary Manhine

Street prize

All stories by
Gabriel Harriss

AHACKNEY Downs resident who ditched her car as part of a competition has scooped some top travel prizes.

The Give Up Your Car campaign, launched last year by the Council and Streetcar – the UK's largest car club operator – encouraged drivers in Hackney to give

up their vehicles and opt for greener forms of transport.

Beth Walton won an annual travel card for zones one and two, a year's Streetcar membership, £200 Streetcar driving credit, and a £200 bike voucher.

Everyone who entered the competition and followed through on their pledge to give up their car received a £25 Streetcar credit.

Streetcar has now launched a London-wide Car Crunch London promotion, which aims to

take over 100,000 cars off the capital's roads by 2012. The scheme encouraging Londoners to give up a car in return for two years' free membership of Streetcar's pay-as-you-go car hire service, worth £119, and up to £250 worth of driving time over that period.

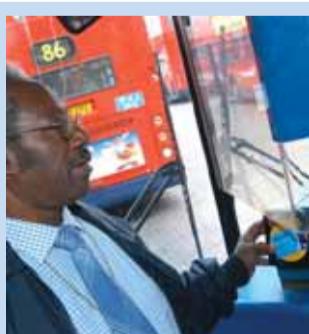
Fiona Fletcher-Smith, the Council's Director of Neighbourhoods & Regeneration said: "We're committed to making the borough safer, cleaner and greener. We also know local

Local people are concerned about carbon emissions, congestion and parking

people are concerned about carbon emissions, congestion and parking on our roads."

MORE INFO

Call: 0845 644 8475, or visit www.streetcar.co.uk
For green travel info visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/movegreener.htm



Jobseekers will be able to get to interviews with cheaper fares

Lower fares for jobseekers

PEOPLE wanting to get back into work will soon be offered half-price fares on buses and trams.

From 1 April those who receive either Job Seeker's Allowance or Employment and Support Allowance can make use of the same half-

price travel concession that those on Income Support currently benefit from.

It is part of the Greater London Authority's Economic Recovery Action Plan, designed to help people back to work by making it easier to travel to

interviews, and access libraries and job centres.

A photo ID card will be needed, and applicants must have been claiming Job Seeker's Allowance for at least 13 weeks. Visit: www.tfl.gov.uk/tickets/faresandtickets/5568.aspx

NEWS IN BRIEF

Double fine for dodgers

FARE dodgers now face a hefty fine on the capital's transport network – more than double the old £20 penalty.

Anyone caught on bus, Tube, DLR and London Overground services without a valid ticket or Oyster will pay £50 – although Transport for London (TfL) has also introduced an 'early payment incentive', so if a penalty is paid within 21 days the fine will be halved to £25.

The increase aims to deter more evaders, who cost fare paying Londoners £70 million pounds each year. Steve Burton, TfL's Director of Community Safety, Enforcement and Policing, said: "Fare evasion is low on our network, but it still costs Londoners millions of pounds. "This is unfair on our honest passengers, so we are making the penalty fare more effective to reassure them that we are tackling this issue head on."

For more information visit: www.tfl.gov.uk



Fines for fare dodgers have doubled from £25 to £50

Mapping the route to fitness

WITH Christmas over and spring round the corner, what better way to get in shape than by dusting off your bike and making 2009 the year to start cycling?

Local Cycling Guides four and 14 cover Hackney and much of north, east and central London, from Stoke Newington in the east to Marylebone in central London.

The free maps aim to help people explore London by bike, include routes on quieter roads that are recommended by cyclists, as well as off-road scenic routes through parks and along canals.

Residents who want to brush up on their cycling skills can take advantage of training for adults and children is available through the Council, with each session individually tailored to their needs. The lessons cover skills such as dealing with busy traffic, as well as a bike check, and an introduction to local cycle routes on quieter roads.

To order free cycle maps visit www.tfl.gov.uk/cycling or call: 020 7222 1234. To find out about training in Hackney and book a place call: 020 8356 2897 or visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/es-cycle-training-faq-547.htm

Cycling trainer Eric Gauster



Hackney is a fast improving Council, serving one of the UK's most diverse populations. Regeneration is improving housing, public services and transport links. Crime is falling. Exam results are up. The Olympics are coming ...



Job vacancies

Finance & Resources

Principal Audit and Review Officer

£37,368 - £39,987 p.a. inc.

Closing date: 6 Feb 2009

Ref: FR368

As a seasoned audit professional, you will assist the Assistant Director Audit and Anti Fraud to oversee the performance of the external provider for internal audit. You will undertake audit work and special reviews; assist in the production of the annual audit plan; and follow up all recommendations following on from internal audit assignments. Your full IIA or AAT qualification or equivalent will be complemented by substantial experience of internal audit work in the public

sector. You will be able to write reports, influence at all levels, and you will have the expertise and ambition to undertake management duties.

Neighbourhoods & Regeneration

Principal Road Safety Officer

£39,987 - £44,334 p.a. inc.

Closing date: 20 Feb 2009

Ref: NR367

You will head up the Road Safety Education, Training and Publicity team which includes management of the school crossing patrol service, and oversight of the cycle training contract. You should be a good team player and you will lead a group of up to six office-based staff. As the Council's expert on Road Safety ETP issues, you will deputise for the Road Safety team leader.

The ideal candidate will have previous or current management



experience in road safety education and publicity, or a related discipline. You should be able to communicate at all levels to a diverse audience, and you will also have good project management, report writing and IT skills.

TO APPLY

Visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/jobs-careers, call: 0845 313 3140, or e-mail: [\[ref\]@tribal.recruitmail.com](mailto:[ref]@tribal.recruitmail.com) (Include your full address & phone number)

Job Profile Maryann Allen

Team Leader for road safety talks to Hackney Today about the role of Principal Road Safety Officer.



What are the main responsibilities of the role?

You will help meet our casualty reduction targets by managing a team of up to six Road Safety Officers, providing road safety education and training to schools and other groups. Engaging audiences at all levels and being able to communicate the importance of road safety is a key part of the job.

You will also manage the School Crossing Patrol Service – approximately 40

part-time staff who help our children cross the road safely all year round in all weathers. You will have good project management, report writing and IT skills. Experience in performance management of a team, developing, prioritising and reviewing road safety activities are also part of the role.

What are the ideal qualities you are looking for?

As well as having all the skills to carry out the role, the ideal candidate will have a real

enthusiasm for road safety. We are looking for someone who can work with people at all levels, and who knows how to communicate to Hackney's diverse audiences.

Why is it good to work in Hackney?

Hackney is a three-star borough, improving strongly and one of the host boroughs for the 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games. The role is a fantastic chance to be part of a team dedicated to improving road safety in the borough.



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david.roberts@hackney.gov.uk

Thames Magistrates Court

WANTED

Local people who are interested in becoming magistrates

No qualifications necessary, but you need to be fair-minded with sound judgement, able to consider and accept other points of view apart from your own, have an awareness of issues within the local community and be of good character. This is a voluntary role, but expenses and loss of earnings are paid.

Interested? Then please come along to our **Open Evening** at Thames Magistrates' Court to meet us and find out about what it means to be a magistrate.

Thursday 5 February 2009
6.30pm to 7.45pm
Thames Magistrates Court
58 Bow Road, Bow E3

The Court is between Bow Road and Bow Church stations. Limited street parking is available.

If you are unable to attend on this date, but would like an application pack, please phone: **020 8989 2570** or go to: www.direct.gov.uk/magistrates

Event supported by Training Link and Londonations

**TUCK
IN**

Try this delicious new recipe from our friends at Water House restaurant

THIS is the latest in a series of regular recipes courtesy of Water House – an eco-friendly restaurant alongside the Regent's Canal in Shoreditch. Chef Ben Spice was born in London, but his family moved to Cornwall when he was nine to run a smallholding.

Ben said: "I have great memories of pork and beans. I would help my dad with the pigs – then when I got in the door that evening I would probably be eating a relative of the pig I had been mucking out! "Pork and beans is a very versatile dish that can be easily adapted. I don't think I have ever had it the same way twice. Try adding butternut squash, spinach or something of your own choice. I love the combination of the rich, slightly sweet sauce with some jalapenos, smoked paprika or Tabasco."



Pork and Beans, Spice Style

Serves 6-8

Preparation time
45 mins



Cooking time
2-2½ hrs



Ingredients

- 2lb/1Kg belly pork (chopped into approx 1inch/25mm pieces)
- 4 tablespoons wholemeal/white flour
- 2 teaspoons crushed pepper or to taste
- 2 teaspoons sea salt or to taste
- 3 tablespoons approx olive oil or butter
- 4 large onions chopped
- 6/8 cloves garlic
- 3 tablespoons black strap molasses (I buy mine from a local health food shop)
- ½ pint/300mls boiling water
- 2 x 400g tins tomatoes
- 6 tablespoons tomato puree
- 2 tablespoons sugar/honey
- 6oz/150g dried haricot beans (or 2 tins ready cooked)
- Splash soy sauce

Method

- If using dried beans soak overnight. Boil for 10 mins and cook for a further 45 mins until soft but not mushy
- Place flour in bowl or plastic bag with pepper and salt, add pork and coat thoroughly
- Heat oil or butter in pan and fry pork in batches until golden. Place in casserole dish
- Fry onions in same pan as pork until translucent. Add tomatoes and stir. Add everything in pan to the pork
- Dissolve molasses in the boiling water, pour over pork, add the rest of the ingredients. Stir thoroughly
- Cover and place in pre-heated oven to 180degrees/350 Fahrenheit/gas mark 4. Cook for 2-2½ hours. Add beans about 15-20mins before serving. Add more salt/pepper or soy sauce to taste

Top tip: Do you know what to do with the head, hock, chaps, or trotters of a pig? A good butcher will be only too happy to give you some suggestions as to how you might cook them. If you purchase meat from a butcher you could save money by buying less popular cuts and you'll learn how to recognise great meat

Water House is a social enterprise that trains local people in the ethos of eco-friendly best practice in the restaurant industry. Owned by Shoreditch Trust, its profits go back into a regeneration programme for Shoreditch.

Water House in Orsman Road is open 8am to 10pm for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Sat and Sun brunch is served until 5pm.

For more info visit: www.waterhouserestaurant.co.uk. For bookings call: 020 7033 0123; or e-mail: eat@waterhouserestaurant.co.uk

**WATERHOUSE
RESTAURANT**

have your say

Talk about 2012

RESIDENTS are being asked to take part in a project which aims to record the changes in Hackney between now and 2012.

Hackney Museum's Mapping the Change project aims to document the changes to local people's lives brought about by the Olympic and Paralympic Games. These records will become an educational resource and a special exhibition in 2012, as well as being a permanent record for generations to come. It will give a unique picture of a crucial period in Hackney's history, as seen through the eyes of local people. Tell us what you think and how you'd like to take part

in this project by taking our short survey. Visit: www.consultationfinder.com/hackney

For further info call Cheryl Bowen: 020 8356 2545

What to scrutinise?

VIEWS are being sought by Hackney's scrutiny councillors on what matters most to people in Hackney. The Council wants to know what your top



Young Hackney Museum visitors

priorities are as part of an annual survey to shape the next year's scrutiny agenda. Scrutiny Commissions are made up of councillors who work across party political lines to investigate issues of local concern, and they need to know what Hackney residents want to see reviewed from June this year.

Good Scrutiny plays an important role in the development of better policies and improving performance, and can hold the Council and outside agencies to account, including police and the health service.

To take part anonymously, visit: www.hackney.gov.uk/scrutiny-residents-survey; e-mail: scrutiny@hackney.gov.uk; or call: 020 8356 3341

Meetings

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Jan 26	Cabinet	6pm
Jan 28	Council	7pm
Feb 2	Licensing sub-committee	10am
Feb 2	Children & Young People scrutiny commission	7pm
Feb 4	Planning sub-committee	6.30pm
Feb 5	Licensing sub-committee	2pm
Feb 9	Living in Hackney scrutiny commission	7pm
Feb 9	Community Safety & Social Inclusion scrutiny commission	7pm
Feb 9	Regulatory committee	7pm
Feb 10	Cabinet Procurement committee	4.30pm
Feb 10	Licensing sub-committee	7pm
Feb 11	Governance & Resources scrutiny commission	7pm
Feb 11	Health in Hackney scrutiny commission	7pm

TENANTS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

MEETINGS IN FEBRUARY

Queen Elizabeth Close QEC	4
Trelawney	23
Aspland and Marcon	16
Nisbet House	24

TO CHECK TIMES AND VENUES, PLEASE CALL THE RESIDENT PARTICIPATION TEAM ON: 020 8356 1934



Sudoku

For solutions see:
www.hackney.gov.uk/hackneytoday

Easy

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H Hackney

The Mayor & Councillors

Councillors are elected by Hackney residents and serve for four years.

The last borough elections were in May 2006.

Councillors have a range of responsibilities, including helping to oversee the Council and its services. They all hold advice surgeries where you can meet your local representative and ask them to take up issues that may be of concern.

To check which councillor covers your area, or confirm surgery times, call: 020 8356 3373. More info: www.hackney.gov.uk/l-mayor-cabinet-councillors.htm

ADVICE SURGERY ON CRIME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY ISSUES

Clr Nkafu, 5-6pm, 1st Monday each month, Hackney Town Hall, Mare St, E8. To book an appointment call: 020 8356 3211

Generally they can help with Council related matters, but if the issue is the responsibility of another person or organisation, they can often point you in the right direction and tell you who you need to see.

Hackney has 57 councillors representing areas called wards – illustrated in the map opposite.

Please note: some councillors do not hold surgeries during the school summer holidays. Call the number below to check.

Hackney's wards in alphabetical order

1. Brownswood
2. Cazenove
3. Chatham
4. Clissold
5. Dalston
6. De Beauvoir
7. Hackney Central
8. Hackney Downs
9. Haggerston
10. Hoxton
11. Kings Park
12. Leabridge
13. Lordship
14. New River
15. Queensbridge
16. Springfield
17. Stoke Newington Central
18. Victoria
19. Wick



North East Neighbourhood Forum
Shoreditch Neighbourhood Committee
Stoke Newington Neighbourhood Forum
Homerton Neighbourhood Committee

The Mayor



Jules Pipe

Hackney has an executive Mayor, Jules Pipe, who is not a councillor, but is directly elected by the entire borough.

The Mayor is the political leader of the Council, overseeing the budget and all Council services.

Civic and ceremonial duties are undertaken by the Speaker of the Council who is elected annually from the borough's 57 councillors. Cllr Ian Rathbone is the current Speaker.

1. BROWNSWOOD



Cllr Darren Parker
1st Fri each month, 9-10am, Robin Redmond Resource Centre, 440 Seven Sisters Rd, Woodberry Down Estate, N4.
Cllr Feryat Demirci
1st Sat each month, 11am-12pm, Amwell Court Community Hall, Green Lanes, N4.
Cllr Brian Bell
No surgery. To book an appointment with Cllr Bell, call Members' Support on: 020 8356 3373.

2. CAZENOVE



Cllrs Joseph Stauber
1st Wed, 5-6pm, Simon Marks Jewish Primary School, 75 Cazenove Road, N16.
Cllr Ian Sharer
1st & 3rd Thurs, 10.30-11.30am, North London Muslim Community Centre, 68 Cazenove Rd, N16.
Cllr Dawood Akhoon
1st & 3rd Sat each month, 10am-12.30pm, NLMCC, 68 Cazenove Rd, N16.
2nd & 4th Sat each month, 10am-12.30pm, Stamford Hill Community Hall, N16. Cllr Akhoon can visit housebound constituents. To book an appointment call: 020 8806 1147.

3. CHATHAM



Cllr Luke Akehurst,
2nd Fri each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Hackney Town Hall, Mare St, E8.
Cllr Sally Mulready
Last Fri each month, 7-8pm, Hackney Town Hall, Mare St, E8.
Cllr Guy Nicholson
3rd Fri each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Jack Dunning Community Hall, Homerton Row, E9.

4. CLISSOLD



Cllr Linda Smith
1st Mon each month, 7-8pm, Hawksley Ct Community Hall, N16.
Cllr Karen Alcock
2nd Fri each month, 6-7pm, Milton Gdns Community Hall, Milton Gdns Estate, N16.
Cllrs Alcock & Smith on a rota basis
3rd Mon each month, 7-8pm, Burma Court Community Hall, Burma Rd, N16.
4th Mon each month, 9.30-10.30am, Howard Rd Resource Centre, Howard Rd, N16.
Cllr Mischa Borris (no March surgeries)
2nd Tues each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Milton Gdns Community Hall, N16.
3rd Fri each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Frank Haley Community Rm, Burma Rd, N16.

5. DALSTON



Cllrs Sophie Linden, Nargis Khan & Angus Mulready-Jones (on a rota basis)
1st Thurs each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Evelyn Court, Amhurst Rd, E8.
2nd Sat each month, 12noon-1pm, Community Hall, Millard Close, Shellingford Estate, N16.
3rd Fri each month, 6.30-7.30pm, CLR James Library, 24-30 Dalston Lane, E8.

6. DE BEAUVOIR



Cllrs Robert Chapman, Gulay Icoz & Christopher McShane
2nd Sat each month, 11am-12noon, Coleville Community Hall, 35 Branch St, N1.
3rd Sat each month, walkabout surgery in the afternoon.
E-mail these councillors at: debeauvoir@hackney-labour.org.uk
Alternatively, call Members' Services on: 020 8356 3373.

7. HACKNEY CENTRAL



Cllrs Samantha Lloyd, Alan Laing & Vincent Stops (on a rota basis)
1st Sat each month, 10-11am, Pembury Senior Citizens Club, Hindrey Rd, E8.
2nd Sat each month, 11am-12noon, Wilton Community Hall, Greenwood Rd, E8.
4th Sat each month, 11am-12noon, Mountford Community Hall, Cecilia Rd, E8.
Cllr Laing is also available at the Town Hall. To book an appointment call: 020 8356 3373.

8. HACKNEY DOWNS



Cllr Faizullah Khan
1st Sat each month, 11am-12noon, Gooch House, Kenninghall Rd, E5.
Cllr Michael Desmond
1st Sun each month, 11am-12noon, Nightingale Estate Office, 7 Olympus Sq, E5. Cllr Desmond is also available at the Town Hall, call: 020 8356 3373.
Cllr Sem Moema
2nd Sun each month, 11am-12noon, Landfield Community Hall, Landfield Estate, Stellman Close, E5.
Last Sun each month, roving surgery. Also available at the Town Hall. Call: 020 8356 3373.

9. HAGGERSTON



Cllrs Afolasade Bright, Barry Buitenkant & Jonathan McShane (on a rota basis)
1st Mon each month, 7-8pm, Shoreditch Town Hall, EC1.
2nd Mon each month, 6-7pm, St Mary's Community Hall, Kent St E2.
1st Thurs each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Haggerston Community Centre, Haggerston Rd, E8.
2nd Thurs each month, 7-8pm, Fellows Court Community Hall, Weymouth Terrace, E2.
3rd Thurs each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Goldsmith's Community Hall, Goldsmith's Sq, E2.
4th Sat each month, 11am-12noon VLC Centre, Whiston Rd, E2.

10. HOXTON



Cllr Claydon McKenzie
2nd Tues each month, 6-7pm, The Bell Club, Bowring Green Walk, Pitfield St, N1.
Cllr Carole Williams
2nd Mon each month, 6.30-7.30pm, 16a Malcolm House, Arden Estate, N1.
Cllr Philip Glanville
3rd Wed each month, 6-7pm, Provost Community Hall, Murray Grove, N1.
3rd Sat of every month, 11am-12noon, The Bell Club, Bowring Green Walk, Pitfield St N1.
Cllr Glanville can also be contacted on: 07967 116 537.

11. KINGS PARK



Cllr Sharon Patrick
1st Fri each month, 6.30-7.30pm, Hackney Marsh Partnership, Kingsmead Cabin, Kingsmead Way, E9.
Can visit disabled or housebound constituents, to book an appointment call: 020 8356 3373.
Cllr Saleem Siddiqui
1st & 3rd Fri each month, 7-8pm, Vi Forrester Hall (behind the housing office), Gilpin Rd, E5.
Cllr Julius Nkafu
3rd Sat each month, 12noon-1pm, Kingsmead Tenants Hall, 5/6 Templemead House, Homerton Rd, E9.

12. LEABRIDGE



Cllrs Linda Kelly, Deniz Oguzkanli & Ian Rathbone
1st Sun each month, 11am-12noon, Tenants Association Hall, Beechholme Estate, Prout Rd, E5.
2nd Sat each month, 1-2pm, Wayside Community Centre, 24 Chatsworth Rd, E5.
4th Sat each month, 1-2pm, Community Hall, Mount Estate, Mount Pleasant Lane, E5.
4th Sat each month, 2-3pm, Community Flat, 10 Detmold Rd, Jack Watts Estate, E5.
These ward councillors can be contacted on: 07890 654 068

13. LORDSHIP



Cllrs Bernard Aussenberg, Simon Tesler & Mathew Coggins (on a rota basis)
1st Sun each month, 11.30am-12.30pm, Peter Collins Memorial Hall, Holmeleigh Rd Estate, N16.
3rd Sun each month, 2-3pm, Stoke Newington Library, Church Street, N16.
Cllr Coggins can be contacted on: 07794 419 301.

14. NEW RIVER



Cllr Maureen Middleton
1st Sun each month, 11.30am-12.30pm, TA Flat, 1 Wyersdale House, Woodberry Down Estate, N4.
4th Sun each month, 11.30-12.30am, Ben Simons Community Hall, 1-66 Lincoln Court, Bethune Rd, N16.
Cllr Middleton can be contacted on: 020 7249 9155 or 07930 575 912.
Cllrs Harvey Odze & Simche Steinberger (on a rota basis)
2nd Mon each month, 4-5pm, Stamford Hill Library, Portland Ave, N16. Cllr Odze can be contacted on: 07790 902 513 or at: harvey.odze@hackney.gov.uk

15. QUEENSBIDGE



Cllrs Thomas Price, Emma Plouviez & Patrick Vernon (on a rota basis)
1st Sat each month, 10-11am, Queensbridge Leisure Centre, 30 Holly St, E8.
3rd Sat each month, 10-11am, Regents Pensioners Hall, 30 Brougham Rd, E8.
You can e-mail these councillors direct. Alternatively, call Members' Services on: 020 8356 3373.

16. SPRINGFIELD



Cllrs Jacob Landau, Shuja Shaikh & Michael Levy (on a rota basis)
1st and 3rd Sun each month, 11.30am-12.30pm at Webb Estate Community Hall, Clapton Common, E5.

17. STOKE NEWINGTON CENTRAL



Cllrs Rita Krishna & Muttalip Unluer (on a rota basis)
1st, 2nd and 4th Sat each month, 10-11am, Yorkshire Grove Estate Community Hall, Gunstar Rd, N16 (except Bank Holiday weekends).

18. VICTORIA



Cllr Daniel Kemp
1st Sat each month, 10.30-11.30am, Pitcairn Hall (entrance in Mare St), Pitcairn House, Frampton Park Estate, E9 (disabled access).
Cllr Katie Hanson
2nd Wed each month, 7-8pm, New Kingshold Community Centre, Primrose Sq, E9 (disabled access).
Cllr Geoff Taylor
3rd Wed each month, 2pm-3pm, Salvation Army Building, 70 Mare St, E8 (disabled access).

19. WICK



Cllrs Jessica Webb, Christine Boyd & Christopher Kennedy (on a rota basis)
1st Sun each month, 12noon-1pm, Wick OAP Hall, Lavington Close, Trowbridge Estate, E9.
3rd Sun each month, 12noon-1pm, Vaine House, Gascoyne Estate, Cassland Road, E9.



Hackney Council is committed to improving services and increasing opportunities for all, and making a safer, cleaner, greener borough. Here we focus on a service that helps to make this possible:



REACHING OUT

Olcay Aniker has been Homelessness Assessment Manager for six years

Due to the sheer diversity of Hackney's communities, the service carries out regular consultations and outreach events to better understand service users' needs. Olcay said: "We aim to provide friendly, responsive services, delivered by well-trained and customer-focused staff. "We want to ensure that everyone can access a service which is sensitive to their specific needs. We also work with the Government and the voluntary sector to

combat the causes of homelessness and tackle unemployment among homeless people." The Service also works closely with the Council's Housing Advice and Options Team to prevent people from being made homeless. Olcay added: "The Charter Mark is confirmation of our team and the Council's dedication to service delivery. "At the end of the day it is residents who are the real beneficiaries."

By James Willsher

THE award-winning Homelessness Assessment Service works to help those with nowhere to live, and also to help those people at risk of becoming homeless.

Being made homeless is immensely stressful, and the service aims to be as sensitive, swift, and clear as possible when handling enquiries and assessments.

There are a number of reasons why someone may face homelessness, including redundancy; unlawful eviction or harassment; domestic

violence; and mortgage or rent arrears.

The unit can offer advice on tenants' rights, and also works closely with the police, the Probation Service, and women's refuge projects.

Last year, after an extensive review, it became one of a growing number of Council teams to receive Charter Mark, a government standard for excellence in customer service.

The accompanying report added that the team "recognises its position in the front line within the borough and discharges its responsibilities with integrity, professionalism and sensitivity."



The Homelessness Assessment team outside the Town Hall

MORE INFO

The service is based at Christopher Addison House, Wilton Way, E8, and is open Mon, Tues, Thurs & Fri 8am-4pm. Call: 020 8356 2929 Mon-Fri 8am-8pm, Saturday 9am-1pm, or e-mail: housingadvice@hackney.gov.uk

consult



In 2012 the eyes of the world will be on London. The 20,000 members of the media covering the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympic Games will need cutting-edge facilities to show all the action from the Games.

In May 2008 the Olympic Delivery Authority held consultation events to discuss the plans for the International Broadcast Centre/Main Press Centre (IBC/MPC). Due to changes in the proposed buildings we will be consulting on the new plans at three drop-in sessions.

The planning submissions for the IBC/MPC will be submitted in three stages: one for the foundations of the buildings, a second for the design of the buildings, and a third for temporary buildings.

You are invited to attend a drop-in session to find out more about the new plans.

Friday 30 January 2009, 2-7.30pm
Hackney Wick Old Baths, 80 East Way, London E9 5JH

Thursday 5 February 2009, 3-4.30pm
Gainsborough Primary School, Berkshire Road, London E9 5ND

Monday 9 February 2009, 2-7.30pm
Hackney Centre Library, Technology and Learning Centre, 1 Reading Lane, London E8 1GQ

For more information call 0203 023 6294 or email odaevents@london2012.com

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LICENSING

Notice is given that **VICTOR ADEWALE** applied to Hackney Council for a premises licence at: **72 STOKE NEWINGTON ROAD N16 7XB**

in order that the following licensable activities can take place:
 Late night refreshment. Recorded music. Supply of alcohol.
 Sunday – Thursday 11.00am – 1.00am,
 Friday – Saturday 11.00am – 2.00am. Opening hours Monday –
 Sunday 11.00am – 4.00am

Hackney Council's licensing register is kept at the office of the Licensing Service 263 Mare Street London E8 3HT. The office hours are Mon – Friday 9am – 5pm.

Details are also available online at www.hackney.gov.uk/licensing

Any representations against the application must be made in writing and received by the Licensing Service at the above address by no later than the 11 Feb 2009. Residents and businesses in the vicinity of the premises or bodies representing such residents or businesses may make representations. The grounds on which the representations may be made are restricted to the licensing objectives of the prevention of crime and disorder, public safety, the prevention of public nuisance and the protection of children from harm. Representations cannot be made after the provisional statement has been issued. Copies of all representations will be sent to the applicant. It is an offence liable on conviction to a fine up to £5000 for an applicant to knowingly or recklessly make a false statement in connection with an application.

DATED 26 JANUARY 2009



TRAFFIC

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY. THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (G2 ZONE) (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 200*. THE HACKNEY (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS) (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 200*. THE ISLINGTON (PRESCRIBED ROUTES) (NO. *) TRAFFIC ORDER 200*. TRO 472

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney propose to make the above-mentioned Orders under sections 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985 and the Traffic Management Act 2004.

2. The general effect of the Orders would be to:

- (a) introduce a width restriction into a certain section of Riversdale Road near its junction with Green Lanes (in conjunction with the London Borough of Islington);
- (b) amend the layout of a certain existing shared use parking place in Riversdale Road in order to accommodate the width restriction;
- (c) introduce waiting restrictions operating "at any time" into a section of Riversdale Road surrounding the width restriction.

3. Copies of the Orders, other relevant Orders, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or the Council decides not to make the Orders, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, 263 Mare Street, London, E8 3HT, or on line at <http://www.hackney.gov.uk>. Further information may be

obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. Any objections or other representations about any of the proposed Orders should be sent in writing to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
 (The officer appointed for this purpose)

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY. THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (CAR CLUBS) (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 200*. VARIOUS HACKNEY PARKING PLACES AMENDMENT ORDERS 200* IN RELATION TO CONTROLLED PARKING ZONES A, B, C, D, E, F, G, G2, H, J AND N. TRO 471

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Orders under sections 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985 and the Traffic Management Act 2004.

2. The general effect of the Orders would be to:-

- (a) introduce "car club" parking places operating "at any time" into certain sections of the roads contained in Schedules 1 and 2 to this notice. The parking places would be for the use of persons subscribing to the "car club" scheme;
- (b) amend the layout of existing resident permit holders only, business permit holders only or permit holders only parking places in certain sections of the roads listed in Schedule 1 to this notice in order to accommodate the provision of the car club bays.

3. Copies of the Orders, other relevant Orders, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Orders, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period 6 weeks from the date on which the Orders are made or the Council decides not to make the Orders, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, 263 Mare Street, London, E8 3HT, or on line at <http://www.hackney.gov.uk>. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. Any objections or other representations about any of the proposed Orders should be sent in writing to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made

Dated this 26th day of January 2009
 Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
 (The officer appointed for this purpose)

SCHEDULE 1

Alvington Crescent, Bayston Road, Brighton Road, Coopersale Road, Coronet Street, Culford Grove, De Beauvoir Road, Eagle Wharf Road, Foulden Road, Glenarm Road, Grazebrook Road, Haberdasher Street, Hearn Street, Henry Road, Laburnum Street, Lenthall Road, Pellerin Road, Queensdown Road, Queen's Drive, Rowhill Road, St. Philip's Road, Shepherdess Walk, Tabernacle Street, Ufton Grove and Wilton Way

SCHEDULE 2

Berger Road, Bethune Road, Knightland Road, Manor Road and Maury Road

**£176
incl vat**

Payment
by cash only

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY. HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 - SECTION 90C. CLARENCE ROAD AREA: SPEED TABLES AND SPEED HUMPS. TRO 470

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the London Borough of Hackney, in accordance with Section 90C of the Highway Act 1980 and the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1996, proposes the provision of speed tables and road humps into certain sections of the roads listed in the schedule to this notice.

Plans of the proposed measures can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until 16th February 2009, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, 263 Mare Street, London, E8 3HT, or on line at <http://www.hackney.gov.uk>. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897. Any objections to the above proposals should be sent by 16th February 2009 to this address.

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
 (The officer appointed for this purpose)

SCHEDULE

Speed Tables: The speed tables would be constructed and maintained with a maximum height of 100 millimetres and 1.5 metre wide on/off sinusoidal ramps between 1:12 to 1:15.

1. A raised entry treatment at Clarence Road junction of Cricketfield Road

Centred 4.5 metres east of the eastern kerbline of Cricketfield Road, a raised entry treatment table.

2. A raised junction table at the junction of Clarence Road/Rowhill Road.

The junction table would extend on Clarence Road for a distance of 4.1 metres south of southern kerbline of Rowhill Road, the junction table would extend on Clarence Road for a distance of 5.2 metres north of northern kerbline of Rowhill Road and extend on Rowhill Road from west kerbline of Clarence Road to a distance of 13.1 metres.

3. A raised junction table at the junction of Clarence Road/Downs Park Road.

The junction table would extend on Clarence Road for a distance of 7.1 metres south of boundary wall of 118/120 of Clarence Road, the junction table would extend on Clarence Road for a distance of 7.6 metres North of boundary wall of 118/120 of Clarence Road and extend on Downs Park Road from west kerbline of Clarence Road to a distance of 13.9 metres.

4. A raised junction table at the junction of Clarence Road/Goulton Road.

The junction table would extend on Clarence Road for a distance of 1.2 metres south of corner of building no. 1-6 the junction table would extend on Clarence Road for a distance of 12.8 metres north of corner of building no. 1-6 and extend on Goulton Road for a distance of 7.2 metres west of corner of building no. 1-6.

5. A raised junction table at the junction of Clarence Road/Clairence Pace.

The junction table would extend on Clarence Road for a distance of 3.0 metres south of corner of building no. 76 the junction table would extend on Clarence Road for a distance of 11.9 metres north of corner of building no. 76 and extend on Goulton Road for a distance of 2.1 metres west of corner of building no. 76.

Speed Tables: The speed tables would be constructed and maintained with a maximum height of 100 millimetres and 1.5 metre wide on/off sinusoidal ramps with 1:15 gradients.

11. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. With the middle of the flat top hump located at the boundary of wall of 161/163 to a point 0.3 metres north.

12. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. With the middle of the flat top hump located at the boundary of wall of 133/1335 to a point 1.7 metres north.

13. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. The middle of the flat top hump is located of boundary of wall of 48/46 to point 0.7 metres north.

14. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. The middle of the flat top hump is located of boundary of wall of 22/24 to point 2.3 metres north.

Speed humps: The speed hump would be constructed and maintained with a maximum height of 100 millimetres and width shall be 3.7m with varying lengths with sinusoidal on/off.

11. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. The middle of the flat top hump is located on boundary of wall of 6/7.

12. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. The middle of the flat top hump is located on boundary of wall of 25/1-8 building.

13. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. The middle of the flat top hump is located with south corner of property no 6 to 16.

14. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. The middle of the flat top hump is located on boundary of wall of 14/15.

H5. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. The middle of the flat top hump is located on boundary of wall of 53-60/61-68.

H6. Raised flat top humps would be 7 metres long with 4 metres Plateau with 1.5 ramps. The middle of the flat top hump is located on boundary of wall of 7/8.

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY. THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE F) (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 200*. TRO 469

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under sections 45, 46, 49, 51 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985 and the Traffic Management Act 2004.

2. The general effect of the Order would be to replace approximately 25 metres of existing single yellow line outside Seabright Nursery, Queensbridge Road with a 1 hour maximum stay pay and display parking bay.

3. Copies of the Order, other relevant Orders, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period 6 weeks from the date on which the Order is made or the Council decides not to make the Order, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, 263 Mare Street, London, E8 3HT, or on line at <http://www.hackney.gov.uk>. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. Any objections or other representations about the proposed Order should be sent in writing to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
 (The officer appointed for this purpose)

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY. THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE C) (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 200*. TRO 468

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under sections 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985 and the Traffic Management Act 2004.

2. The general effect of the Order would be to convert of an existing general use permit bay into a residents only parking bay outside No. 26 John Campbell Road and to remove an existing footway parking bay outside Nos. 33 and 37 John Campbell Road.

3. Copies of the Order, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period of 6 weeks from the date on which the Order is made or the Council decides not to make the Order, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, 263 Mare Street, London, E8 3HT, or on line at <http://www.hackney.gov.uk>. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. Any objections or other representations about the proposed Order should be sent in writing to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
 (The officer appointed for this purpose)

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY. THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (M ZONE) (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 200*. TRO 467

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under sections 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985 and the Traffic Management Act 2004.

2. The general effect of the Order would be to convert approximately 15 metres of an existing residents parking bay into a shared residents and business permit parking bay opposite Nos. 16-22 Woodlea Road.

3. Copies of the Order, other relevant Orders, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period 6 weeks from the date on which the Order is made or the Council decides not to make the

Order, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, 263 Mare Street, London, E8 3HT, or on line at <http://www.hackney.gov.uk>. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. Any objections or other representations about the proposed Order should be sent in writing to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
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LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY. HIGHWAYS ACT 1980 - SECTION 90C. WHISTON ROAD AREA. CESTER STREET, GOVAN STREET, HAY STREET AND NICHOLL STREET: SPEED TABLES. TRO 466

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the London Borough of Hackney, in accordance with Section 90C of the Highway Act 1980 and the Highways (Road Humps) Regulations 1996, proposes the provision of speed tables into certain sections of Cester Street, Govan Street, Hay Street and Nicholl Street as detailed in the attached schedule to this notice.

Plans of the proposed measures can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until 16th February 2009, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, 263 Mare Street, London, E8 3HT, or on line at <http://www.hackney.gov.uk>. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897. Any objections to the above proposals should be sent by 16th February 2009 to this address.

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

SCHEDULE

Speed Tables: The speed tables would be constructed and maintained with a maximum height of 100 millimetres and 1.0 metre wide on/off sinusoidal ramps with 1:10 gradients.

Road	Description
Cester Street	Centred 3.8 metres east of the eastern kerbline of Whiston Road, a raised entry treatment table.
Govan Street	Centred 4.4 metres north of the northern kerbline of Whiston Road, a raised entry treatment table.
Hay Street	Centred 3.2 metres south of the southern kerbline of Whiston Road, a raised entry treatment table.
Nicholl Street	Centred 4.4 metres south of the southern kerbline of Whiston Road, a raised entry treatment table.

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY. THE HACKNEY (PARKING PLACES) (ZONE B) (AMENDMENT NO.1) ORDER 2009. THE HACKNEY (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS). (AMENDMENT NO. 2) ORDER 2009. THE HACKNEY (LOADING BAYS) (AMENDMENT NO.1) ORDER 2009. THE HACKNEY (PRESCRIBED ROUTES) (AMENDMENT NO.1) ORDER 2009. TRO 455A

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on 23rd January 2009 the Council of the London Borough of Hackney made the above-mentioned Orders under sections 6, 45, 46, 49 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985 and the Traffic Management Act 2004.

2. The general effect of the Orders will be to:

- (a) relocate an existing no entry point to vehicles in Clifton Street from its junction with Pindar Street to its junction with Christopher Street;
- (b) remove 2 existing business bays from a certain section of Earl Street and 2 existing pay and display bays from a certain section of Pindar Street;

(c) introduce 3 new loading bays operating Monday to Friday 8.30am to 6.30pm and Saturday 8.30am to 1.30pm; one in a certain section Finsbury Market and two in certain sections of Earl Street;

(d) remove an existing motor cycle bay from a certain section of Clifton Street;

(e) introduce a pedal cycle stand onto a certain section of the footway of Pindar Street.

3. Copies of the Order which will come into force on 28th January 2009, other relevant Orders and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, until the expiration of a period of six weeks from the date on which the Order is made, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, 263 Mare Street, London, E8 3HT, or on line at <http://www.hackney.gov.uk>. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.

4. If any person wishes to question the validity of the Order, or

of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any requirement of the Act or of any instrument under the Act has not been complied with, that person may, within six weeks of the date on which the Order is made, apply for the purpose to the High Court.

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

LONDON BOROUGH OF HACKNEY. THE HACKNEY (WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS). (AMENDMENT NO. *) ORDER 200*. TRO 387

1. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Council of the London Borough of Hackney proposes to make the above-mentioned Order under sections 6 and 124 of and Part IV of Schedule 9 to the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 as amended by the Local Government Act 1985 and the Traffic Management Act 2004.
2. The general effect of the Order would be to redefine:-
 - (a) all waiting restrictions in the roads listed in Schedule 1 to this notice; and
 - (b) all loading restrictions in the roads listed in Schedule 2 to this notice
3. Copies of the Order, other relevant Orders, and of other documents giving more detailed particulars of the Order, can be inspected during normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays inclusive until the end of a period 6 weeks from the date on which the Order is made or the Council decides not to make the Order, in the reception area, London Borough of Hackney, 263 Mare Street, London, E8 3HT. Further information may be obtained by contacting Helpdesk on 020 8356 2897.
4. Any objections or other representations about the proposed Order should be sent in writing to the Assistant Director (Public Realm) at the address specified in paragraph 3 above until the expiration of a period of 21 days from the date on which this Notice is published. All objections must specify the grounds on which they are made.

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

TTRO / U499-1B. RUSHMORE ROAD E5 TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING & PROHIBITION OF WAITING AND UNLOADING. ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to planned LINING WORKS WITHIN RUSHMORE ROAD E5 they have made an order. The general effect of which will be only at such times and to such extent as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

1. Prohibition of driving
Rushmore Road From its junction with the Chatsworth Road along its entire length to its junction with Glyn Road
2. Prohibition of waiting loading and unloading at any time
Rushmore Road From its junction with the Chatsworth Road along its entire length to its junction with Glyn Road
3. The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.
4. The restrictions referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.
5. The restrictions referred to in paragraph (2) above may require vehicles to be removed at the discretion of either the engineer on site or a Police Constable in uniform
6. The Order will operate on and between the following dates and times or until the work has been completed whichever is sooner

DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
28 Jan 2009	0600 hrs	29 Jan 2009	1900 hrs

7. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

TTRO / P222B. PITFIELD STREET N1. TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF PEDESTRIANS & TEMPORARY LOADING BAY. ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

of any provision contained therein on the grounds that it not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 or that any requirement of the Act or of any instrument under the Act has not been complied with, that person may, within six weeks of the date on which the Order is made, apply for the purpose to the High Court.

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)

MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to planned CONSTRUCTION WORKS within PITFIELD STREET N1 they have made an order. The general effect of which will be only at such times and to such extent as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

1. Prohibition of pedestrians
Pitfield Street Between points approximately 16m (north east side) boundary of property No 53) and 40m (south boundary of property No 57) north of its junction with Buttesland Street
2. Revocation of current parking restrictions
Monday to Friday 7am – 6pm and Saturday 8am – 2pm
Pitfield Street Between points approximately 16m (north east side) boundary of property No 53) and 40m (south boundary of property No 57) north of its junction with Buttesland Street
3. Temporary loading bay
Monday to Friday 7am – 6pm and Saturday 8am – 2pm
Pitfield Street Between points approximately 16m (north east side) boundary of property No 53) and 40m (south boundary of property No 57) north of its junction with Buttesland Street

4. The diversion route for the footpath will be along the opposite side
5. The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.
6. The restrictions referred to in paragraphs (1) and (3) above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.
7. The Order will operate on and between the following dates and times or until the work has been completed whichever is sooner

DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
26 Jan 2009	0800 hrs	24 Dec 2009	1700 hrs

8. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

TTRO / P220B. MILLFIELDS ROAD E5. TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING. ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to planned SEWER CONNECTION WORKS within MILLFIELDS ROAD E5 they have made an order. The general effect of which will be only at such times and to such extent as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

1. Prohibition of driving
Millfields Road Between points approximately 21 metres south west and 23 metres north east of a point in line with the south western kerb line of Pedro Street
2. Prohibition of waiting loading and unloading at any time
Millfields Road Between points approximately 21 metres south west and 23 metres north east of a point in line with the south western kerb line of Pedro Street
3. The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.
4. The restrictions referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.
5. The restrictions referred to in paragraph (2) above may require vehicles to be removed at the discretion of either the engineer on site or a Police Constable in uniform
6. The Order will operate on and between the following dates and times or until the work has been completed whichever is sooner

DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
16 Feb 2009	0800 hrs	27 Feb 2009	1700 hrs

8. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

TTRO / P212B. ANDREWS ROAD E8. TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING. ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to planned BRIDGE MAINTENANCE WORKS within ANDREWS ROAD E8 they have made an order. The general effect of which will be only at such times and to such extent as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

1. Prohibition of driving
Andrews Road Between points approximately 30 metres and 53 metres west of point in line with its junction with Mare Street
2. Prohibition of pedestrians
Andrews Road Between points approximately 30 metres and 53 metres west of point in line with its junction with Mare Street
3. The diversion route for the footpath will be along the opposite side
4. The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.
5. The restrictions referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.
6. The Order will operate on and between the following dates and times or until the work has been completed whichever is sooner

DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
26 Jan 2009	0800 hrs	8 Feb 2009	1700 hrs

7. Further information about this notice may be obtained by

contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

TTRO / P218A. MARTELLO STREET E8. TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING. ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to planned TRAFFIC CALMING WORKS within MARTELLO STREET E8 they intend to make an order. The general effect of which will be only at such times and to such extent as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

1. Prohibition of driving
Martello Street From its junction with the northern kerb line of London Lane along its entire length to its junction with the southern kerb line of Martello Terrace
2. Prohibition of entry except for access
Martello Street From its junction with the northern kerb line of London Lane along its entire length to its junction with the southern kerb line of Martello Terrace
3. Prohibition of waiting loading and unloading Mon to Fri 8am-5pm
Martello Street From its junction with the northern kerb line both sides of London Lane along its entire length to its junction with the southern kerb line of Martello Terrace
4. The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.
5. The restrictions referred to in paragraphs (1) to (3) above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.
6. The restrictions referred to in paragraph (3) above may require vehicles to be removed at the discretion of either the engineer on site or a Police Constable in uniform
7. The Order will operate on and between the following dates and times or until the work has been completed whichever is sooner

DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
16 Feb 2009	0800 hrs	27 Feb 2009	1700 hrs

8. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

3. The diversion route for the footpath will be along the opposite side
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sooner	DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
	2 Feb 2009	0600 hrs	9 Ap 2009	1500 hrs

7. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009

Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

TTRO / P215A. CULFORD ROAD N1. TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING. ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to planned TRAFFIC CALMING WORKS within CULFORD ROAD N1 they intend to make an order. The general effect of which will be only at such times and to such extent as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

1. Prohibition of driving
Culford Road From its junction with Balls Pond Road in a generally southerly direction for a distance of approximately 33 metres

2. Prohibition of driving
Culford Road From a point in line with the south western kerb line of Tottenham Road to a point approximately 19 metres in a north easterly direction and approximately 14 metres in a south westerly direction

Tottenham Road From a point in line with the south eastern kerb line of Culford Road to a point approximately 25 metres in a south easterly direction and approximately 29 metres in a north westerly direction

3. Prohibition of driving except for access
Tottenham Road From a point in line with the north western kerb line of Culford Road in a north westerly direction to its junction with Southgate Road
From a point in line with the north western kerb line of Culford Road in a south easterly direction to its junction with De Beauvoir Road

4. The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in

connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.

5. The restrictions referred to in paragraphs (1) and (3) above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works. Each junction shall be closed independently of each other within the stated time period as indicated in paragraph 6

6. The Order will operate on and between the following dates and times or until the work has been completed whichever is sooner

DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
16 Feb 2009	1201 hrs	28 Feb 2009	2359 hrs

7. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009
Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

TTRO / P223B. CLAPTON COMMON E5. TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING. ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to planned EDF ELECTRICAL CONNECTION WORKS within CLAPTON COMMON ACCESS ROAD E5 they have made an order. The general effect of which will be only at such times and to such extent as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

1. Prohibition of driving
Clapton Common From its junction with Osbaldeston Road Access Road along its entire length to its junction with Oldhill Street

2. Prohibition of waiting loading and unloading at any time
Clapton Common From its junction with Osbaldeston Road Access Road along its entire length to its junction with Oldhill Street

3. The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in

connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.

4. The restrictions referred to in paragraphs (1) and (2) above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.

5. The restrictions referred to in paragraph (2) above may require vehicles to be removed at the discretion of either the engineer on site or a Police Constable in uniform

6. The Order will operate on and between the following dates and times or until the work has been completed whichever is sooner

DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
2 Feb 2009	0800 hrs	6 Feb 2009	1700 hrs

7. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009
Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

TTRO / P219B. ARCOLA STREET E8. TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING. ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to planned CRANE OPERATIONAL WORKS within ARCOLA STREET E8 they have made an order. The general effect of which will be only at such times and to such extent as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

1. Prohibition of driving
Arcola Street Between its junction with Dunn Street and the unnamed access lane to Hindle House

2. Prohibition of entry except for access
Arcola Street From its junction with Stoke Newington Road to its junction with Dunn Street
Arcola Street From its junction with Shacklewell Lane to its junction with the unnamed access lane to Hindle House

3. Revocation of One Way
Dunn Street From its junction with Arcola Street to its junction with Shacklewell Lane

4. Prohibition of waiting loading and unloading at any time
Arcola Street Between its junction with Dunn Street and Both sides the unnamed access lane to Hindle House

5. The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.

6. The restrictions referred to in paragraphs (1) and (4) above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.

7. The restrictions referred to in paragraph (4) above may require vehicles to be removed at the discretion of either the engineer on site or a Police Constable in uniform

8. The Order will operate on and between the following dates and times or until the work has been completed whichever is sooner

DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
29th January 2009	0800 hrs	29th January 2009	1800 hrs
5 Feb 2009	0800 hrs	5 Feb 2009	1800 hrs

12 Feb 2009 0800 hrs 12 Feb 2009 1800 hrs

9. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009
Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

TTRO / P224A. WHISTON ROAD E2. TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF DRIVING. ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 – SECTION 14(1) AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991 AND THE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT ACT 2004

The Council of London Borough of Hackney HEREBY GIVES NOTICE that due to planned TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT WORKS at various ROADS whose junctions are along WHISTON ROAD E2 they intend to make an order. The general effect of which will be only at such times and to such extent as regulatory traffic signs are displayed to:-

1. Prohibition of driving

Cester Street From its junction with Whiston Road in a northerly direction for a distance of approximately 15 metres

Govan Street From its junction with Whiston Road in a northerly direction for a distance of approximately 15 metres

Hay Street From its junction with Whiston Road in a south westerly direction for a distance of approximately 15 metres

Nicholl Street From its junction with Whiston Road in a southerly direction for a distance of approximately 15 metres

2. The restriction will not apply to vehicles being used in connection with the said works or used for fire brigade, ambulance, or purposes in an emergency and anything done with the permission or at the discretion of a Police Constable in uniform.

3. The restrictions referred to in paragraph (1) above will not apply so as to prevent vehicles gaining ingress to, or egress from the premises on or adjacent to the closed length of road in so far as such ingress or egress is reasonably practicable without undue interference with the execution of the said works.

4. The Order will operate on and between the following dates and times or until the work has been completed whichever is sooner

DATE	TIME	DATE	TIME
16 Feb 2009	0800 hrs	20 Mar 2009	1700 hrs

5. Further information about this notice may be obtained by contacting the helpline on: 0208 356 2897

Dated this 26th day of January 2009
Tom McCourt, Assistant Director (Public Realm)
(The officer appointed for this purpose)

 **PLANNING**

EC2

8 NEW NORTH PLACE EC2A 4JA Erection of two storey extension at first floor to provide 4 flats comprising 2 X 2 bed flats and 1 X 1 bed flats together with external alterations. 2008/2946 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

32-38 SCRUTTON STREET EC2A 4RQ Resubmission of planning application 2008/2221 for demolition of existing building and erection of a new part 5, part 6 storey mixed use building (plus basement) to provide 7713sqm of Class B1 office accommodation and 345sqm of class A1/A3 shop/restaurant/café accommodation together with 5 off street car parking spaces (3 of which would be for disabled persons) and cycle parking, landscaping areas and a courtyard. 2009/0059 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

32-38 SCRUTTON STREET EC2A 4RQ Conservation area consent for demolition of existing buildings in association with application ref: 2009/0059 for erection of a new part 5, part 6 storey mixed use building (plus basement) to provide 7713sqm of Class B1 office accommodation and 345sqm of class A1/A3 shop/restaurant/café accommodation together with 5 off street car parking spaces (3 of which would be for disabled persons) and cycle parking, landscaping areas and a courtyard. 2009/0084 Conservation Area Consent

35-42 CHARLOTTE ROAD EC2A 3PB & 83-85 CURTAIN ROAD EC2 Alterations, extensions, demolition and redevelopment to provide basement, ground floor, and seven upper floors for use as a hotel (Class C1) 2008/3091 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

35-42 CHARLOTTE ROAD EC2A 3PB & 83-85 CURTAIN ROAD EC2 Conservation Area Consent for demolition, alterations and extensions to existing buildings 2008/3094 Conservation Area Consent

E1

126 SHOREDITCH HIGH STREET E1 6JE Change of use and conversion of two x bedroom live work unit to two x 2 bedroom self-contained flats and use of part of third floor as an office (B1 use class). 2008/3126 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

126 SHOREDITCH HIGH STREET E1 6JE Change of use and conversion of two x bedroom live work unit to 2 x 2 bedroom self-contained flats and use of part of third floor as an office (B1 use class). 2008/3127 Listed Building

E8

364 MARE STREET E8 1HR Installation of windows to the rear at ground and first floor levels, together with the installation of a rear staircase. 2008/2943 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

161 MARE STREET, E8 3RH Change of use of premises from office (B1 use class) to beauty salon (sui generic use) and part single, part first floor rear extension, along with alterations to existing shopfront. 2008/3190 Affect Setting of a Conservation Area

4-6 SHEEP LANE E8 4QS Section 73 application for minor amendments; revision to elevation and internal layouts,

connected to approved planning permission ref: 2006/0721 (for erection of a 6 storey plus basement building to provide 45 residential units (10 x 1 bed, 20 x 2 bed, 7 x 3 bed and 8 x 4 bed) and 2350 sqm of class B1 (office) floorspace. 2009/0033 Major Development

41 PARKHOLME ROAD E8 3AG Erection of a single storey ground floor rear extension. 2008/2945 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

311 MARE STREET, E8 1EJ Retention of a shop front with level access. 2008/2755 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

150 MARE STREET E8 3SG Change of use of ground floor stair lobby to form an A1 shop unit, together with the installation of a new shop front, new side entrance and relocation of entrance gates. 2008/2860 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

414 KINGSLAND ROAD E8 4AA Erection of mansard roof, single storey first floor rear extension and part change of use of first floor to provide three bedroom maisonette. 2008/3058 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

N1

28-30 HOXTON SQUARE, N1 6NN Installation of a 'halo' illuminated fascia sign. 2008/2652 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

LAND ADJACENT TO 37 ENFIELD ROAD N1 5ER Erection of a four storey, two bedroom house with an integral garage at the side of 37 Enfield Road. 2008/2910 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

92 CULFORD ROAD N1 4HN Erection of a single storey ground floor rear extension, alteration and enlargement to rear first floor window. 2008/3048 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

METROPOLITAN BUSINESS CENTRE KINGSLAND ROAD N1

5A2 Change of use of second floor from small business floorspace (use class B1) to hostel accommodation (use class sui generis), comprising the formation of twenty hostel units. 2009/0004 Major Development

HOXTON HALL THEATRE 130 HOXTON STREET N1 6SH

Renewal of floor (boards) in the ground floor room of the 1910 extension in Stewart Hall. 2008/3069 Listed Building

N4

420 SEVEN SISTERS ROAD N4 2LX Demolition of existing buildings and erection of a six-storey building for use as a hostel (use class C1) with associated parking and refuse storage. 2008/2018 Major Development

38 GLOUCESTER DRIVE N4 2LN Conversion of lower ground

floor of property to provide a 3 x bedroom self contained flat. 2008/3146 Affects the Setting of Conservation

Area

FORMER BROWNSWOOD LIBRARY BROWNSWOOD ROAD N4 2ST

Demolition of existing building and erection of a five-storey building containing seventeen residential units and one disabled parking space, together with associated outdoor amenity space and landscaping. 2008/3185 Major Development

333 SEVEN SISTERS ROAD N4 1QR Change of use of the

property from a single family dwelling (use class C3) to a residential care home (use class C2), together with the erection of a single storey side and rear extension, erection of a side and rear roof extension, rear and front external roof light alteration to the front, including the installation of new window and entrance door to front elevation, new timber fencing with gate, new front steps, access ramp with railings and associated landscaping. 2008/3090 Affects the Setting of a Conservation Area

N16

STOKE NEWINGTON MUNICIPAL OFFICES & ASSEMBLY ROOMS 186 STOKE NEWINGTON CHURCH STREET N16 0JL

Erection of a non illuminated free standing hoarding sign.

2008/2917 Affect Setting of a Conservation Area

48 STOKE NEWINGTON ROAD N16 7XJ Variation of condition

3(planning permission ref: 2002/0400 to allow permitted hours of use to be extended from 10:00 hours to 23:00 hours to 10:00 hours to 02:00 hours. 2008/3125 Major Development

PLANNING APPEALS

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990.

PUBLIC INQUIRY

COUNCIL REF: 2006/0553/ENF PINS REF:

APP/U5360/C/08/2078234

An appeal has been made against by Hardeep Sohi (aka Karl Sohi) against the decision of the London Borough of Hackney to instigate enforcement proceedings in relation to the unauthorised erection of a two storey timber shed for storage of building materials at the rear of 29 – 35 (odd) Upper Clapton Road, along the boundary with 229 and 231 Brooke Road, without the grant of planning permission.

The inquiry will be held at the Council Chambers, Hackney Town Hall, Mare Street, London E8 1EA on Tuesday 10th

February, 2009 at 10am.

Members of the public may attend the inquiry and, at the Inspector's discretion express their views. If you or anyone you know has a disability and is concerned about facilities at the Inquiry venue, you should contact the council to confirm that suitable provisions are in place.

SUSAN FOSTER, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, PLANNING

DATE: 26/01/2009

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

PUBLIC INQUIRY

PLANNING REF: 2004/1479/ENF

PINS REF: APP/U5360/C/07/2055965

Appeal has been made by Caroline Louise King against the failure of the London Borough of Hackney to determine within the prescribed period an application for a Certificate of Lawful Use for the existing use of the unit as a two (2) bedroom self-contained flat at 77 Red Square, London, N16 9AG.

The inquiry will be held at Rooms 101 and 103, Hackney Town Hall, Mare Street, London E8 1EA on Tuesday 17th February, 2009 at 10am.

Members of the public may attend the inquiry and, at the Inspector's discretion express their views. If you or anyone you know has a disability and is concerned about facilities at the Inquiry venue, you should contact the council to confirm that suitable provisions are in place.

SUSAN FOSTER, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, PLANNING

DATE: 26/01/2009

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

COUNCIL APPLICATION NO: 2008/0660

PINS REFERENCE NO:

APP/U5360/X/08/2081002

An appeal has been made by Mr. Ismet Kurban against the London Borough of Hackney's refusal of an application for a Certificate of Lawful Use for the existing use of the ground floor as a retail unit (class A1) at 2c Woodberry Down, London, N4 2TG.

The inquiry will be held at Room 103, Hackney Town Hall, Mare Street, London E8 1EA on Tuesday 3rd March, 2009 at 10am.

Members of the public may attend the inquiry and, at the Inspector's discretion express their views. If you or anyone you know has a disability and is concerned about facilities at the Inquiry venue, you should contact the council to confirm that suitable provisions are in place.

SUSAN FOSTER, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, PLANNING

DATE: 26/01/2009

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990

PUBLIC INQUIRY

COUNCIL REF: 2006/0033/ENF

PINS REF: APP/U5360/C/08/2077532

An appeal has been made by Teraine Okpoko against the decision of the London Borough of Hackney to instigate enforcement proceedings at 100 Chatsworth Road, London E5 OLS for the conversion of the basement rear, ground floor rear, first and second floors of the property into five self-contained flats.

The inquiry will be held at the Council Chambers, Hackney Town Hall, Mare Street, London E8 1EA on Tuesday 24th February, 2009 at 10am.

Members of the public may attend the inquiry and, at the Inspector's discretion express their views. If you or anyone you know has a disability and is concerned about facilities at the Inquiry venue, you should contact the council to confirm that suitable provisions are in place.

SUSAN FOSTER, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, PLANNING

DATE: 26/01/2009

London Borough of Hackney, Notice under the Town and Country Planning Acts and Related Orders

The Applications can be inspected between 9am and 5pm at 263 Mare Street, London E8 3HT. They can also be viewed on the following website: www.hackney.gov.uk/planning. Representations should be made in writing within 21 days to the Development Control Manager, 263 Mare Street E8 3HT, London. All representations will be acknowledged in writing.

Sue Foster, Assistant Director Regeneration and Planning.

MABLEY COMMON

Parish of Hackney Borough of Hackney County of London

The London Borough of Hackney has applied to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for consent under article 12 of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government Provisional Order Confirmation (Greater London Parks and Open Spaces) Act 1967 to carry out restricted works on Mabley Common.

The proposed works is: **a range of outdoor gym equipment occupying 551sqm of Mabley Green. The proposed works will be 25 metres in length.**

The works will be located in the eastern corner of Mabley Green, next to the existing football pitch.

A copy of the application form and map showing the proposed works can be inspected at **298 Mare Street, London E8 1EA** between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm weekdays (not public holidays) until the **8th day of March 2009** (Please ask for Alexis Coleman on ext 6229 at Reception).

Any objections or representations should be sent in writing ON or BEFORE that date to the Planning Inspectorate at Room 4/05, Kite Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN.

Letters sent to the Planning Inspectorate **cannot be treated as confidential**. They will be copied to the applicant and possibly to other interested parties.

Amanda Kelly
Interim Director & Head of Legal Services
London Borough of Hackney
26.01.2009

CLAPTON COMMON

Parish of Hackney Borough of Hackney County of London

The London Borough of Hackney has applied to the Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs for consent under article 12 of the Ministry of Housing and Local Government Provisional Order Confirmation (Greater London Parks and Open Spaces) Act 1967 to carry out restricted works on Clapton Common.

The proposed works are: **construction of a children's playground including fencing, play equipment surfacing, footpaths and associated works.**

The works will be located on part of Clapton Common, to the south east of Craven Walk and to the east of the Pond and will be 44 metres in length and 18 metres in width.

A copy of the application form and map showing the proposed works can be inspected at **298 Mare Street, London E8 1EA** between the hours of 10.00 am and 4.00 pm weekdays (not public holidays) until the **8th day of March 2009** (Please ask for Alexis Coleman on ext 6229 at Reception).

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Amanda Kelly
Interim Director & Head of Legal Services
London Borough of Hackney
26.01.2009





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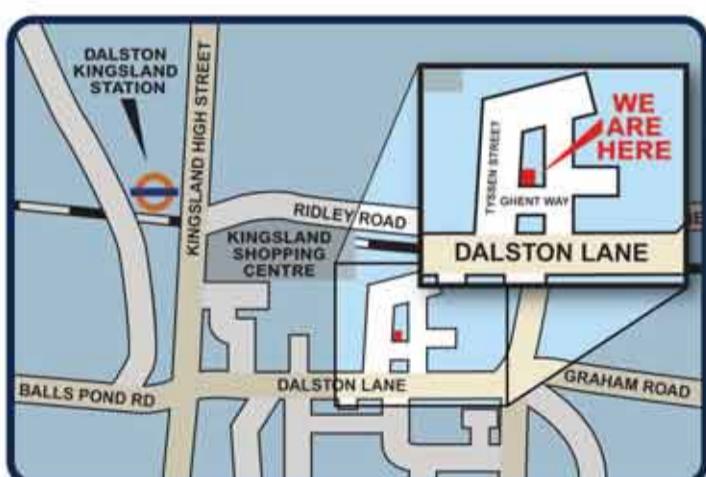
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